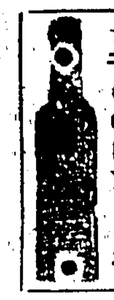

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Fanling	dep.	—	8.15	4.41	11.56	3.13	—	5.40	5.24	9.54	9.15
Taipo Market	dep.	—	8.24	4.52	12.05	3.22	—	5.49	5.33	7.08	9.24
Taipo	dep.	—	8.27	4.55	12.11	3.27	—	5.52	5.37	7.08	9.29
Shatin	dep.	—	8.44	5.12	12.24	3.40	—	6.05	5.50	7.21	9.42
Yaumati	dep.	—	8.56	5.23	12.36	3.51	—	6.16	6.01	—	9.53
Hung Hom	dep.	—	9.03	5.32	12.42	3.57	—	6.22	6.07	—	9.59
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KOWLOON	dep.	6.50	8.05	8.20	10.23	1.13	1.48	5.30	5.18	8.18	7.25
Hung Hom	dep.	6.54	—	8.26	10.27	1.22	1.52	—	5.22	8.22	—
Yaumati	dep.	7.00	—	8.33	10.43	1.37	1.57	—	5.27	8.27	7.36
Shatin	dep.	7.11	—	8.46	10.57	1.38	2.08	—	5.39	8.39	7.47
Taipo	dep.	7.23	—	8.59	11.09	1.51	2.21	—	5.52	8.52	7.59
Taipo Market	dep.	7.27	—	10.05	11.13	1.54	2.25	—	5.56	8.56	8.03
Fanling	dep.	7.37	—	10.16	11.23	2.04	2.34	—	6.06	9.06	8.13
Sheungshui	dep.	7.40	—	10.19	11.25	2.07	2.37	—	6.07	9.07	8.15
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THE GOVERNMENT'S SCHEME OF DEVELOPMENT.

A meeting of the Hongkong Legislative Council was held yesterday afternoon at the Council Chamber.

The following were present:—

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, Hon Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G.

His Excellency Major-General F. Ventris (General Officer Commanding Troops in China).

Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher (Colonial Secretary).

Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp (Attorney-General).

Hon. Mr. A. M. Thomson (Colonial Treasurer).

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Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird.

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NEW MEMBERS.

The Hon. Mr. T. L. Perkins and the Hon. Mr. Chan Kai-ming took the oath upon becoming members of the Council. Mr. T. L. Perkins is acting as Director of Public Works in place of the Hon. Mr. W. Chatham and the Hon. Mr. Chan Kai-ming has been appointed to fill the vacancy in the Council created by the absence of the Hon. Mr. Lau Chu Pak. The Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird, who was elected by the Justices of the Peace to serve whilst the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock is on holiday, and took his seat for the first time yesterday, had taken the oath previous to the meeting.

FINANCE.

The Colonial Secretary, by command of H.E. the Officer Administering the Government, laid upon the table the report of the proceedings of the Finance Committee, No. 6, and moved that it be adopted.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded, and this was agreed to.

The Colonial Secretary, by command of H.E. the Officer Administering the Government, laid upon the table Financial Minutes Nos. 62 to 78 and moved that they be referred to the Finance Committee.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

PAPERS.

The Colonial Secretary, by command of H.E. the Officer Administering the Government, also laid upon the table Sessional papers Nos. 8 and 9—an abstract showing the differences between the approved estimates of expenditure for 1919 and the financial statements in connection with the estimates for 1919.

HON. MR. H. W. BIRD'S QUESTIONS.

Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird asked the questions given below. The Government's replies were read by the Colonial Secretary.

1. Will the Government take immediate steps to disconnect the Pokfulum reservoir from the drinking supply of the Colony so that the catchment area of this reservoir may be opened up for building purposes?

Answer:—As the quantity of water obtained from the Pokfulam reservoir generally amounts to upwards of 250 million gallons per annum, all of which is available by gravitation, the Government is not prepared to dispense with the reservoir. As there is only one system of mains available for the distribution of water to the City, it is not possible to apply the supply from the Pokfulam Works to other than domestic purposes only.

2. Will the Government take in hand the construction of a road connecting the Pokfulum Road with the Craigmin Road round the south face of Mt. Kellett somewhere about the 1,000 foot contour?

Answer:—A survey has been in progress for some time past for the construction of a road which will bring the City into more convenient communication with the Craigmin Road district than would be the case by the route indicated.

3. Will the Government take in hand the construction of a motor-road to the Peak on the south face of Mt. Kellett on the lines suggested by the Hongkong Automobile Association?

Answer:—A survey is also in progress for the construction of a road which will, it is anticipated, form a motore convenient motor road to the Peak District than that suggested by the Hongkong Automobile Association.

4. For what purpose does the Government intend to use the area above Wongneicheong Valley previously reserved for Mr. Ede's Portuguese Housing Scheme?

Answer:—It is proposed to construct a road which will render this area more accessible for residential purposes than at present.

5. Will the Government take in hand the construction of a 20-foot road between the 100 and 200 foot contour from the back of Tai Hang Village round North Point joining the road leading to Quarry Gap, thereby opening up a considerable area of easily developed land?

Answer:—The Government has in view the construction of a road in the locality indicated, but at a level of about the 400 foot contour. The construction of branch roads connecting with the Shaukiwan Road will render available the area referred to in the question.

6. In connection with the construction of new roads opening up building sites, will the Government undertake to lay water mains therein so that intending purchasers of land may not have to pay for their water supply out of all proportion to the cost of the building?

Answer:—Arrangements will be made, as soon as conditions permit and development occur, for affording a supply of water to areas rendered available for building purposes by the construction of new roads.

7. Will the Government consider a project to move the Government Civil Hospital and Lunatic Asylum from their present situation to a more suitable site at Kennedy Town, where the present Tung Wah Plague and Infectious Diseases Hospitals are located, which would be easily accessible for stretcher cases by motor ambulance, for out-patients by tram, and harbour cases by launch, so that the existing Civil Hospital site, together with the Berlin Mission property might be available at a reasonable price for the erection of a large number of cheap flats at low rentals?

Answer:—The Government is not prepared to consider such a project, one strong objection to which is that it would involve a large increase in the population of an already very densely populated district.

OPIUM ORDINANCE, 1918.

The Attorney-General asked leave to withdraw the Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Opium Ordinance, 1914, and the Opium Ordinance, 1917," which appeared for its second reading on the orders of the Day. He said—The Bill proposed to make two small amendments in the Opium Ordinances and it consisted of two substantial clauses and one formal clause. After the Bill had been read a first time and published in the *Gazette* certain other amendments to the Opium Ordinances were suggested to the Government, and it has been thought more convenient to withdraw this Bill and introduce a new Bill which will contain the provisions of the present Bill and also the other amendments.

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and the Bill was withdrawn.

The Attorney-General then moved the first reading of another Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Opium Ordinance, 1914, and the Opium Ordinance, 1917."

The Colonial Secretary seconded, and the Bill was read a first time.

The "Objects and Reasons" state:—

1. Section 46 of the Opium Ordinance, 1914, enacts that no ship shall be used for the conveyance of opium in contravention of the Ordinance. It also provides that if a certain amount of opium is found on a ship that fact shall be *prima facie* evidence of an unlawful use of the ship. The section makes the amount vary according to the tonnage of the ship in the case of steamships. The expression used in the section is "tons burden." Clause 2 of the bill is intended to make it clear that net register tonnage is referred to. The term "tons burden" was so interpreted in section 3 (1) of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in *The Brunel* (1900) P. 24.

2. Clause 3 deals with a similar point in section 49 (2) of the Opium Ordinance, 1914. That sub-section provides that any ship of less than 15 tons in which is found any opium in respect of which an offence against the Ordinance has been committed may be forfeited. Here the word "tons" is ambiguous and the clause is intended to make it clear that net register tonnage is referred to.

3. Clause 4 corrects an obvious mistake in section 57 of the Opium Ordinance, 1914.

4. In section 2 of the Opium Ordinance, 1917, the word "resembling" is not sufficiently exact, as resemblance might not amount to a colourable imitation. Clause 5 amends the section so as to restrict it to colourable imitations.

5. Section 56 of the Opium Ordinance, 1914, makes it an offence to counterfeit marks used by the Superintendent in connection with Government opium. The section also makes it an offence to use any such counterfeited mark as genuine. Section 2 of the Opium Ordinance, 1917, makes it an offence to be in possession of labels, wrappers or marks resembling the Government labels, wrappers or marks, and clause 3 of the bill is intended to make it clear that this prohibition refers to colourable imitations. Clause 6 deals with another kind of fraud in connection with opium labels and wrappers. It makes it an offence to have, without lawful authority or excuse, any Government opium labels or wrappers which have been detached from the Government receptacles. The object of detaching such labels and wrappers is of course to use them again for the purpose of selling non-Government opium.

6. Clause 7 throws the onus on the defendant of proving absence of guilty knowledge when once it is proved that he has had in his possession a box or package containing opium.

THE BUDGET.

The Acting Colonial Secretary moved the first reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding ten million, six hundred and five thousand, three hundred and forty-five dollars to the Public Service of the year 1919, for the following purposes:—

EXPENDITURE.

Governor	$ 70,615
Colonial Secretary's Department and Legislature	78,066
Secretariat for Chinese Affairs.	57,152
Audit Department	37,262
Treasury	65,275
Harbour Master's Department.	200,625
Harbour Master's Department, Special Expenditure	180
Imports and Exports Department,	929,388
Imports and Exports Department, Special Expenditure	50,000
Royal Observatory	23,209
Royal Observatory, Special Expenditure	800
Miscellaneous Services	1,711,107
Judicial and Legal Departments	262,394
Judicial and Legal Departments, Special Expenditure	1,840
Police and Prison Departments	1,022,312
Police and Prison Departments, Special Expenditure	20,567
Medical Department	275,812
Medical Department Special Expenditure	1,500
Sanitary Department	399,146
Sanitary Department Special Expenditure	11,810
Botanical and Forestry Department	53,763
Education	383,458
Education, Special Expenditure	15,500
Military Expenditure:—	
Defence Corps	82,848
Public Works:—	
Public Works Department	465,825
Public Works Department, Special Expenditure	1,540
Public Works, Recurrent	702,000
Public Works, Extraordinary.	2,810,450
Post Office	239,772
Kowloon-Canton Railway:—	
Working Expenses	412,635
Special Expenditure	67,330
Pensions	249,000
Charitable Services	43,064
Total	$10,605,345

The Colonial Treasurer seconded.

H.E. the Officer Administering the Government.—Honourable members of the Legislative Council, the Governor of the Colony at very short notice has had to take leave of absence, and I feel sure that the deepest sympathy is felt both in the Council and among the Community generally for him and for Lady May in their time of anxiety.

The duty, therefore, falls upon me of laying before you the Annual Statement of the financial position of the Colony and the Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for next year.

It was estimated at this time last year that the balance of assets over liabilities on the 31st. December, 1917, would amount to $2,867,945, but the actual balance was $3,368,062. The revenue for 1917, which was expected to amount to $14,257,330, was actually $15,058,104, and the expenditure, instead of being $13,690,170, was actually $14,090,828.

It is estimated that the revenue for this year will amount to the unprecedented sum of $17,079,640, or $2,316,050 more than the original estimate.

The expenditure for this year, which was originally estimated at $12,140,475, is now expected to exceed that sum by $3,612,015. This excess is chiefly due to large gifts to His Majesty's Government for the purposes of the war, to which I will refer later on.

ESTIMATES OF REVENUE FOR 1919.

The estimated revenue for 1919 is $16,884,215, being $2,120,625 in excess of the approved estimate for the current year. As compared with the approved estimates for this year the principal increases, of which explanations will be found in the footnotes, are as follows:—

Assessed taxes	$ 152,940
Special War Rates	88,000
Carriage, Chair, etc., licences	20,500
Opium Monopoly	2,000,000
Analyses	13,000
Rent of buildings	13,350
Crown rents	7,700
Markets	6,850
Stone quarries	9,360
	$2,311,700

ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE FOR 1919.

The expenditure for next year is estimated to amount to $14,677,896, or $2,375,421 more than the estimated expenditure for the current year. The various increases and decreases in each department and the reasons therefor are fully set out in the Sessional Paper which has been laid on the table. One notable change is the omission of the item "Exchange Compensation" under the Head of Personal Emoluments. As the estimates have been framed on the basis of a three shilling dollar, the same value as the compensated dollar for officers paid in dollars, exchange compensation has ceased to exist.

Under the departments of Governor and Colonial Secretary there are small reductions, due principally to higher exchange. In the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs the posts of supernumerary 2nd grade writer and 5th grade shroff have been abolished, and a new post of 3rd grade shroff has been created. In the Audit Department, in place of two 3rd grade clerks, provision has been made for two 4th grade clerks and four probationers. The work has much increased, and it is considered better to train a junior staff than to increase the number of senior clerks. The changes in the clerical staff of the Treasury are explained in Appendix III.

In the Harbour Master's Department the new codes for storm warnings have thrown increased work and responsibility on the officer-in-charge at Signal Hill, and it has been decided to promote him to the 3rd grade. The signalman at Green Island has also been promoted to the 4th grade. A Chinese master has been appointed to the Steam Tender *Stanley* on a salary of $1,680—$1,920 by $60 annually. Under "Steam Launches" the vote for repairs has been increased by a sum of $4,500 owing to the enhanced cost of materials and labour.

In the Imports and Exports Department the changes made in the clerical staff are explained in Appendix III. They are chiefly necessitated by the growing importance of the statistical branch. A sum of $10,000 has been inserted for the staff required for the salt control which it is proposed to inaugurate next year, but the details of which cannot yet be specified. Under "Special Expenditure" a sum of $50,000 is provided for a launch for salt control.

The provision of an anemograph for Gap Rock is the only item to which reference need be made in the Estimates of the Royal Observatory. At a cost of $800 a self-recording instrument can be fixed on the roof of the quarters. A continuous record and a particular knowledge of the state and direction of the wind at Gap Rock is of vital importance to the Observatory during the typhoon season.

Under miscellaneous services it is proposed to make a grant of £50 to the Imperial Bureau of Mycology which has recently been established. The sum of $1,000 for the Yunnan Scholarship Fund has been approved by the Secretary of State for a period of three years, and approval has been requested to extend this grant for two years more, as the Chamber of Commerce and certain of the leading firms in the Colony have promised a similar sum. The amounts subscribed will enable six students to complete a course at the University of Hongkong which will include medicine and engineering. The amount required for rent allowances has been increased by $16,500 as the sum of $20,000, which was roughly estimated on the introduction of the scheme, has been found to be insufficient. The provision of quarters will cause a reduction in this item after next year. The sum of $200,000 for special war allowances to Government officers is the amount required under a scheme which has already been considered by Honourable Members and approved by the Secretary of State.

In the Supreme Court a 2nd grade clerk has taken the place of a 1st grade clerk on the retirement of the latter. Free quarters have been granted to the Assistant Interpreter and the First and Second Bailiffs to place them on the same footing as officers in corresponding positions in other departments. The watchmen have been granted house-allowances for a similar reason at a cost of $600 a year.

In the District Office a 3rd grade clerk has been added to the Establishment, promoted from 4th grade. In the Southern District provision has been made for a caretaker for the new market at Tai O, and a small allowance to the Sergeant-Interpreter as Collector of Market Revenue. Under "Other Charges, Northern District" a sum of $2,500 is provided for afforestation. It is desired to encourage the people of the New Territories to grow trees on their own behalf, and this vote will be used towards the commencement of village plantations, particularly of the eucalyptus tree and the indigenous camphor tree, which has been a commercial success in Formosa. Seeds will also be provided for those who are willing to make use of them. The scheme is intended as a nucleus of larger undertakings which will be much facilitated by the experience thus gained. The allowance for transport in the Southern District has been raised by $250 owing to the increased cost of launch hire.

In the office of Crown Solicitor a 2nd grade clerk has been promoted to 1st grade.

Under special expenditure small sums are provided for furniture and a sum of $1,000 for a set of Law Reports in the office of the Attorney-General.

In the Police Department provision has been made for a Secretary and Clerk for the Deputy Superintendent, Police Reserve, who is in urgent need of such assistance. No less than 69 members of the Police Force have gone to join His Majesty's Forces of whom, I regret to say, 9 are reported to have been killed in action. Two Police Officers are still serving under the Government of India.

In addition to the many duties undertaken by them since the enrolment of the Force, the members of the Police Reserve have for some time been employed in searching passengers' baggage for contraband at the various wharves. Proper shelters have been erected to enable this work to be performed under suitable conditions, and the Government is very grateful for the valuable help rendered in this respect.

Under "Other Charges" the sum provided for repairs to Launches and Boats has been increased by $3,500 to meet the extra cost of materials and labour.

A sum of $18,667 has been entered under special expenditure for the purchase of two motor fire-engines and pumps, which it is proposed to obtain from America.

In the Medical Department the following changes have to be recorded. A Chinese Accountant and Storekeeper has replaced the former European holder of the post. The post of Staff nurse has been abolished, the holder of the post having been promoted to be a nursing Sister. At the Lunatic Asylum a European Female Attendant has been appointed. The European Wardmaster at Kennedy Town Hospital has been replaced by a Chinese Wardmaster, and in place of a temporary Wardmaster a Chinese Wardmaster has been appointed, the post of temporary Wardmaster being abolished.

A sum of $1,200 has been provided under Public Dispensaries as travelling allowance to the Supervisor of Midwives, and one more midwife has been appointed in the New Territories. Reductions have been made in the amounts required for the support of lunatics abroad, and for fuel and light, based on the figures of the last three years.

Under "Special Expenditure" a sum of $1,500 has been provided for the preparation of meningococcic serum in accordance with the directions of an expert from the Rockefeller Institute, New York, a report of whose visit to the Colony will shortly be laid before you.

In the Sanitary Department six foremen have received a new scale of salary —$480 rising to $780 by $60 annually—in place of a fixed salary of $480, involving an increase next year of $338. Under "Other Charges" the amount required for fuel for Bath-houses has been reduced by $800 based on the average expenditure of the last three years, and the provision for the burial of infected bodies has been reduced to $1,000. Coal for launches is estimated to cost $3,000, repairs $3,000, and stores $800, more than this year. Owing to the temporary reduction in the staff a reduction of $2,000 has been made in the vote for uniforms.

Under Special Expenditure sums aggregating $1,810 have been provided for new vehicles and a sum of $10,000 for exhumation at the Kailungwan Cemetery.

In the Botanical and Forestry Department a new post of Foreman has been created for forestry work in the New Territories, and the votes for forestry and motor-car hire have been increased by $1,000 and $180 respectively.

EDUCATION.

The total sum provided for education is $398,958, or $13,586 more than this year. Owing to the increase in the number of Vernacular Schools in the New Territories it is proposed to have three 5th grade Sub-Inspectors in place of one. From the 1st September next year the first three trained Chinese Masters will begin their work, and a sum of $900 is provided for their salaries. There are now six of these masters at the University, the cost of whose education is being defrayed by the Government. The opportunity of a change in the Headmastership at Queen's College was taken to abolish the post of Assistant Master on a special salary and the allowance of $900 to the Master of the Normal School. No less than seven of the European Masters are serving with His Majesty's Forces, and their places have been taken by Lady Teachers. The Student Teachers have been placed on a new scale of salaries, as shown. The Headmistress of the Peak School has been placed on the initial sterling salary of the Headmistress of the Belilios Public School, as it was considered better not to remove her from the Peak School where she is doing excellent work. One Assistant Mistress has been added to the staff of the Peak School, and as the whole of the buildings are now required for the school the Headmistress has been given a House allowance of $600 a year on vacating the quarters. At Saiyingpun English School a Student Teacher, supernumerary, has been appointed to assist in the teaching of English. One post of Assistant Master at Yaumati English School has been raised from Class III. to Class II.

The Department has suffered a great loss in the retirement of Mrs. Tutcher from the post of Headmistress of Belilios Public School. Mrs. Tutcher had been connected with the school during the whole of her service, and for twelve years had been Headmistress. She brought the school to a high state of efficiency, and possessed the confidence and respect of both parents and pupils. It is not proposed to make any permanent appointment to the post at present, though the salary has been provided in the Estimates. Mr. T. K. Dealy—after nearly thirty-four years' service, during the last nine of which he had been Headmaster of Queen's College—retired from the service in July. He had been connected with the school since the days when it was known as the Government Central School, and it is no exaggeration to state that during his service he had had no small share in the education of most of the prominent Chinese gentlemen in the Colony for more than a generation, including several of the Chinese members of this Council.

At the Ellis Kadoorie School for Indians an Assistant Master in Class II. has taken the pdace of an Assistant Master in Class III.

Under "Special Expenditure" provision is made for a building grant of $5,500 to the Diocesan Girls' School in respect of the new wing recently erected, and the first instalment of $10,000 of a total grant of $20,000 for new buildings to house the Girls' Training Home of the London Missionary Society.

In connection with the Hongkong Defence Corps considerable reductions have been made under the heads "Ammunition" and "Uniform."

In the Public Works Department the principal changes under "Personal Emoluments" are shown in Appendix III.

Under "Other Charges" the vote for Transport and Travelling expenses has been increased from $4,600 to $10,000 owing to the large number of foremen and survey coolies employed on the new main roads under construction.

Under "Special Expenditure" a sum of $1,000 has been provided for furniture for the Stores and Accounts office.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Under "Public Works Recurrent" the sum required in Hongkong for gas lighting has been increased by $12,000 to meet the advance of 20 per cent. allowed on the contract rate with the Gas Company and the cost of additional lamps. The provision for the maintenance of the water-works in the City and Hill District has been raised by $50,000 to meet the increase in the cost of coal, additional pumping, and the maintenance of the new filter-beds at West Point. In Kowloon the cost of gas lighting shows an increase of $3,500 for the same reasons as I have given above. In the New Territories the vote for maintenance of Roads and Bridges has been increased by $4,000 owing to the extension of the main roads and widening of others. A sum of $7,000 is provided under the head "Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages" to meet the cost of repairing slips in new cuttings.

Under "Public Works Extraordinary" the total expenditure proposed is over 2½ million dollars, which largely exceeds any sum hitherto devoted in one year to public works in the history of the Colony, but about half of this sum is absorbed by works already in progress or to be begun this year. The time may not be propitious for embarking on large schemes, but the Government has no option in the matter. The growth of the population has more than kept pace with the building activity of the last six years, and it is essential that both in Victoria and in Kowloon new areas should be made accessible by main roads for every class of domestic building. Large, however, as the sum provided is, I can assure hon. members that it represents a small percentage of the expenditure required thoroughly to develop this great port to meet the probable needs of the next few years. Despite the reduction in the staff of the Public Works Department caused by the urgent need of men for His Majesty's Forces, the Government intends to make a serious start with the building of quarters for public officers in the higher branches of the service and with the provision of suitable accommodation for the large scavenging staff of the Sanitary Board. I will now take the items as they appear in the Draft Estimates before you.

The work on the extension of the Central Police Station has been much retarded by the want of necessary material, but it is hoped to complete the building next year.

A start is being made at once with the building in which the Imports and Exports Department is to be housed in accordance with the recommendations of the Public Works Committee (Sessional Paper No. 20 of 1917). The portion to be erected first is that forming a continuation of the Harbour Office in Connaught Road.

Item 3 provides for twelve houses on the ridge above Wongneichong Road in three terraces of four houses each. The site is a good one and commands a fine view over the eastern end of the harbour. These houses will have five rooms each, and there is space between the buildings for tennis courts.

The addition to the Public Works Offices in Albert Road will provide extra office accommodation which is urgently required.

It is proposed to erect quarters for the Scavenging staff of the Sanitary Department in the Central and Eastern Districts. Item 5 is for the quarters in the Central District, which will have ample accommodation for nearly three hundred men.

In the Hill District it is proposed to erect quarters for senior officers on Crown Land on the Eastern slope of Mount Gough below the property known as "Tandemagee," which was acquired by the Government in November last, and on other sites not yet settled on. Items 6 and 7 make provision for starting these quarters.

Item 8 provides for quarters for the Chinese staff at Taitam Tuk Pumping Station.

The extension of the Lunatic Asylum is to provide quarters for the European staff, as it has become necessary to use the present quarters for wards.

For some time past the building of a Crematorium has been under consideration, and it is now proposed to erect one in the vicinity of the cemetery at a cost of $5,500.

The matshed which has hitherto served the purposes of the Police Recreation Club is past repair, and it is proposed to erect a suitable building out of public funds.

A start will be made at once in order that the building may be ready early next year.

Under the heading "Communications", Sub-heads (*a*) to (*g*) under Item 13 refer to works already in progress. Sub-head (*h*) refers to a new 20 foot road, which it is proposed to construct from a point in Morrison Gap Road. The road will have a ruling gradient of 1 in 20, and will pass above the cemeteries in Wongneichong Valley round the top of the valley at a height of about 300 feet into Tai Hang Valley, finally emerging at Tai Hang Village. This road will open up considerable areas of land suitable for building purposes and it can be extended through Wongneichong Gap to the south side of the island. Subhead (*i*) is a branch from the road referred to above, which will cross Bowen Road and continue to rise to the neighbourhod of Wanchai Gap. This road will also open up some good building sites below middle gap, and may eventually be continued to connect with Craigmin Road, thus giving access to the Peak District. Subhead (*j*) is a path in connection with the quarters referred to in Item 6. The sum provided under Subhead (*k*) is required to resume portion of the lots on the east side of that part of Wanchai Road that runs from the Wanchai market to Praya East. This road is much congested, and the proposed work will effect a great improvement in the district. Similarly Subhead (*l*) will improve the access by Queen's Road East to the new road in Wongneichong valley. Hon. members have recently asked that this work may be expedited, and the sum of $150,000 provided will enable a good deal of the widening to be carried into effect next year. Subhead (*m*), (*n*) and (*o*) are for much needed improvements. As regards the remaining items in Hongkong I need only refer to item 19, which provides for the reconstruction of certain piers in connection with the new ferry service; to item 25, under which a much larger sum than usual has been provided for compensation and resumptions in view of certain negotiations now in progress; and to item 27 for catch-waters in connection with the Taitam Tuk water-works. These catch-waters form part of a large scheme for conserving water from the hills on both sides of Taitam Bay with a view to making the fullest use of the new reservoir.

In Kowloon, Item 30 completes the scheme of quarters for subordinate officers, bringing the total number of quarters in Hongkong and Kowloon up to forty-two. It is also proposed to extend the shelter for jinrikishas at the ferry pier, as the present structure has proved inadequate.

Under the head "Communications" a beginning is to be made in the construction of main roads in accordance with a large and comprehensive scheme of development in the peninsula. The Government is fully alive to the demands that will arise for good roads and adequate means of transport in Kowloon, but I think hon. members will realise that at the present time only the most urgent works can be undertaken. The other items under Kowloon are of the usual nature.

In the New Territories the only building contemplated is the completion of the market and reclamation at Tai O, and under the head "Communications" it is only proposed to complete the new road to Castle Peak; to widen the remaining portion of the road to Taipo; and to improve the surface of the road from Fanling to Un Long.

The development of the new town at Shamshuipo has proceeded so satisfactorily that it has become desirable to proceed with the reclamation of a further area of sea-bed at a cost of $80,000 and, under Item 49, to provide for laying water-mains.

Under item 48 a sum of $24,000 is provided for establishing telephonic communication with the Police Stations on Lantau and Cheung Chau. The best method of communicating with these Police Stations has been under consideration for some time, and, though more modern devices have much to recommend them, the ordinary submarine cable and land line is, for the time being, considered the most practical and efficient scheme.

The estimated total cost of these works is $2,810,450, and, as I have already remarked, it might be much larger without exhausting the present needs of the Colony.

In the Post Office one 3rd grade Clerk has been promoted to be Deputy Superintendent, Money Order Office, while the 2nd grade Postal Clerks have been increased by one. Under "Other Charges" large savings are shown under the head "Carriage of Mails," due to the higher exchange and the closing of the Siberian Route.

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.

In the Kowloon-Canton Railway, under "Personal Emoluments" it will be noticed that the number of watchmen has been increased, especially in the Locomotive Yard at Hunghom. This latter increase was made at the end of last year, when a number of thefts had occurred, and it is satisfactory to be able to report that since the extra watchmen were engaged and regular beats instituted there have been no further thefts. Under "Maintenance of Way—Works and Stations—Other Charges" the cost of the biennial painting of bridges and tunnels is estimated at $3,000, while larger sums than last year have been provided for the repairs to staff quarters and station buildings. The time has arrived when the sleepers originally laid require extensive renewals, for which a sum of $15,000 has been entered.

In the office of the Locomotive Superintendent a 3rd grade Draughtsman is required. The Locomotive Superintendent has to work long hours to cope single-handed with the very responsible work of keeping the engines and rolling-stock generally in good running order, and it has become practically impossible for him to continue making the necessary drawings. An extra fitter on daily wages has also been provided for. Under "Other Charges" it is particularly satisfactory to note that, notwithstanding the increase in the cost of most materials, it is hoped to make a small saving on this year's estimates.

Under "Traffic Expenses—Personal Emoluments" it is proposed to promote five station-masters from the 5th to the 4th grade, as the salaries drawn by them are not considered sufficient remuneration for the long hours they have to work and the responsible nature of their duties.

The Fanling branch line still fails to pay its way, but it is useful as a feeder to the main line. A small saving is shown in the estimated cost of working the line next year.

Under Special Expenditure a revote of $45,000 is required for the platform awnings. As it is impossible to get materials from England, the work will now be carried into effect locally. The sum of $10,220 is required to complete the wharf opposite the new goods-shed at Kowloon. The siding at Shatin, for which a sum of $6,640 has been provided, is required in order to obviate delays which sometimes occur in dealing with the traffic.

The greatest economy has been exercised in preparing the estimates of expenditure in connection with the railway compatible with safety and efficiency, and I can only express a hope that events for which we have long waited may before long lead to a more satisfactory return on the very large capital expended.

A reduction of $223,384 is shown in the amount estimated for this year under the heading "Charge on account of public debt" due to the higher exchange.

There are doubtless old residents in this Colony who will note with regret that by his death the portion of his pension paid by this Colony to the late Mr. Charles Vandeleur Creagh has ceased. He served with distinction, after leaving Hongkong, as Secretary to the Government of Perak, and as Governor of British North Borneo.

The balance of revenue over expenditure is estimated to amount to $2,206,319, which, added to the estimated balance at the end of this year, makes a total of $6,801,531.

It is proposed to take the second reading of this bill on the 17th October.

THE COLONY'S WAR CONTRIBUTIONS.

Before I conclude I wish to refer as briefly as possible, to the help rendered by the Colony to His Majesty's Government during the past year in carrying on the war. I will bring the figures given by the Governor in his address last October up to date.

The amounts invested in War Loans through the British Banks by companies and individuals in the Colony up to the 21st September are as follows:—

British Government, Straits Settlement, Federated Malay States, and Indian Government loans	£5,875,000
United States War Loans...	177,000
	£6,052,000

In addition to the sum of $5,000,000 presented in 1916 and 1917 to His Majesty's Government for war purposes, the Colony has presented this year a sum of £550,000, while the special war assessment produced last year a sum of $504,984 and for the first nine months of this year $756,000, all of which has been paid over to the Imperial Authorities.

The Hongkong and South China War Savings Association, which was established in January, 1917, had received up to the end of September the sum of $2,696,274 Straits Currency—an increase of $1,674,834 over the sum received on the same date last year—while during the year the membership of the Association rose from 787 to 1,110. I desire again to record what a great boon this Association has been to the small investor, and to express to the Union Insurance Society of Canton the appreciation felt in the Colony for the valuable services so willingly rendered to the public in this matter.

At the end of September, 1917, the total sum remitted to various funds in aid of war work and to charities in connection with the war was over £77,000, and the sum expended locally for the working parties and in other ways was $84,030. The former figure has been raised during the year to £142,122—which includes the fine results of "Our Day," St. George's Day, and a new date, namely, "Kowloon Day" on January 1st—and the latter figure to $144,568.

These figures do not include the sum of £31,447 subscribed to the Prince of Wales' Fund up to the 31st December, 1915. The St. Andrew's Society of Hongkong, also, raised a sum of £7,047 last November, and I understand, intends this year to surpass all its previous efforts.

The various parties of ladies working for the Queen Mary's Needle Work Guild and private working parties have continued to send throughout the year large quantities of garments and bandages for the use of the troops on all fronts, and the letters of appreciation received bear testimony to the great value of their work.

Correspondence from all the regular troops in the garrison has continued to be forwarded free of charge through the post, and from the 1st January last to the end of September, 195,135 letters, 3,656 postcards, and 7,479 other articles, mostly newspapers, have been so transmitted.

Up to the present date 379 men have proceeded from the Colony on active service with His Majesty's Forces. The year has been marked by the passing of the Military Service Ordinance, imposing compulsory service outside the Colony. Hongkong was one of the first of the Crown Colonies to take this step, and the fact that, after a very careful review by the General Military Service Tribunal of every individual case coming under the Ordinance, comparatively few men have been enrolled, shows that a high percentage of the available man-power of the Colony had already seized the opportunity of joining-up.

I feel sure that you will wish me to give expression to the feelings of intense admiration with which this Colony, in common with the rest of the Empire, has watched during the past three months the magnificent victories won by our armies and those of our gallant Allies. The transport overseas and the high fighting qualities of the American Army, so recently organised and trained, have filled the world with wonder at an achievement unsurpassed in history; Marshal Foch, uniting to the best advantage the efforts of the Commanders on all the fronts, will go down to the ages as one of the grandest figures in military history; while out of many fine exploits the British people will never forget how those brave and devoted volunteer crews added lustre to the records of our Navy by their dauntless courage in sealing up the ports of Ostend and Zeebrugge in the face of a most powerful and merciless fire by the enemy. In some of these great doings the men from this Colony have had a share. Forty-three have fallen, but our sorrow at their deaths is surely turned into a feeling of pride that they should have lost their lives in fighting to obtain freedom for the nations of the world. Palestine is practically delivered from Turkish rule; a great part of Mesopotamia, with its ancient capital, is returning to a life of industry and prosperity unknown for centuries; Serbia is regaining her independence; and the soil of Northern France and Belgium, torn and battered though it be, is rapidly being restored to its long-suffering peoples. We are inclined to ask ourselves whether the peace so long looked for is in sight; whether the splendid work of our Commanders and the untiring valour of our men are going to bring about the collapse of our enemies; and whether we shall find ourselves faced unexpectedly with many grave problems without being prepared to solve them. The words of the Prime Minister uttered two years ago seem to me peculiarly applicable to the present time. He was speaking after some very gallant actions of our men, when our hopes of victory ran high:—

"They have given courage a new meaning, they have given it a new standard, a new rating—it means something different, it means more than it ever meant before. We never knew we were capable of such great things, and if we do such things in war we can also do them in peace. Peace has its sacrifices, peace demands valour, peace demands devotion; and it will be an unutterable insanity if the lesson which this war has taught us of the possibilities of our people in unity, in sacrifice for a common end, in devotion to the cause of a common humanity, should be lost when the flag has been brought back triumphant from the field of battle and planted on the field of labour and of toil."

The Bill was read a first time and the Council then adjourned until October 17th.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Finance Committee followed, the Colonial Secretary (Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher) presiding.

LAUNCH REPAIRS.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of five hundred dollars in aid of the vote Harbour Master's Department, *C.*—Government Marine Surveyor's Office, Other Charges, Launch Repairs.

The CHAIRMAN—This is for special repairs to the engine of a launch.

The vote was agreed to.

REPAIRS TO LIFTS.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of one thousand eight hundred dollars in aid of the vote Miscellaneous Services, Lifts Maintenance.

The CHAIRMAN—This is for renovating the steel ropes of the lifts in the Supreme Court.

The vote was agreed to.

LANDSLIDES.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of eleven thousand dollars in aid of the vote Public Works, Recurrent, New Territories, Miscellaneous, (45) Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages.

The CHAIRMAN—This vote has been occasioned by the heavy land slides which occurred after the heavy rains recently.

The vote was agreed to.

NAVAL TENNIS COURTS.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of two hundred and fifty-eight dollars in aid of the vote Miscellaneous Services, Improvement to Naval Tennis Courts, etc.

The CHAIRMAN—This is to assist in making tennis courts in the Naval Yard.

The vote was agreed to.

FIRE FLOAT.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of seven hundred dollars in aid of the vote Police and Prison Departments, *B.*—Fire Brigade, Other Charges, Repairs to Engines and Plant.

The CHAIRMAN—Unusual repairs were required to be made to the fire-float.

The vote was agreed to.

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By Order of the Board,
W. E. ROBERTS,
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Hongkong, 1st October, 1918. [2471

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 27th September to 5th October, 1918, both days inclusive.
By Order,
M. MANUK,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 20th September, 1918. [2444

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Company's Offices at NOON on SATURDAY, the 19th of October, 1918.
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N.B.—The word "throughout" used in this Notice means that the Houses should be Limewashed in respect of all the Walls of each Room, all Cubicles, Partitions, Stair Casings and Stair Linings, all Ceilings and the Undersides of Roofs in Main Buildings, Offices and Servants' Quarters and inclusive of Verandahs.
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Choice among applicants will be in the absolute discretion of the President.
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DEATH.

BROWNE.—At Shanghai, on September 25th, DUNCAN BROWNE, The Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ltd., aged 44 years.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG 4TH OCTOBER, 1918

THE COLONY'S BUDGET.

ONCE again the Colony is to be congratulated upon the remarkable degree of prosperity which it enjoys in spite of the dislocation of trade by the war. The revenue, which in 1914 amounted roughly to fourteen and a quarter million dollars, is estimated in the current year to reach upwards of seventeen millions. Though this increase is due in large measure to additional taxation, which may be reflected in the present high cost of living, the fact that the heavier burden has not imposed any real hardship upon the community is proof of the comfortable conditions prevailing in Hongkong. The expenditure is given as fifteen and three-quarter million dollars, which is $3,612,015 above the estimate. This excess, however, is chiefly due to the large gifts which have been made to the Imperial War Chest. The balance of assets over liabilities at the end of 1917 was $3,268,062, or four hundred thousand dollars more than expected. At the close of this year it should be approximately four and a half million dollars. In the circumstances, it would seem advisable to devote some of the surplus to the reduction of the Colony's debt by purchasing stock while the price is low and exchange high.

For 1919 the revenue is computed at $16,884,215, which, although rather less than the sum which it is hoped to receive by the end of this year, is upwards of two million dollars more than the amount budgetted for in the 1918 estimates. The principal increases are $2,000,000 from opium, $152,000 from assessed taxes, and $88,000 from special war rates. The expenditure is placed at $14,677,899, an increase of two and a half million dollars upon that approved for the current year, but a decrease of fully a million dollars when compared with the sum actually disbursed. From the details furnished in the speech of H.E. the Officer Administering the Government it will be noticed that it is proposed to inaugurate a system of Salt control in 1919, and for this purpose an allocation of $10,000 has been made for the staff which will be required, while $50,000 is set aside for the provision of a launch in connection with the project. To improve the equipment of the local Brigade for dealing with outbreaks of fire, as urged by the Hon. Mr. P. H. HOLYOAK, a few months back, arrangments have been made to purchase two motor fire-engines and pumps from America at a cost of $18,667. For the purpose of granting special war allowances to Government officers under a scheme, adumbrated by us a few days ago, which has already been considered by members of the Legislative Council and approved by the Secretary of State, the sum of $200,000 is provided. At the same time the amount for rent allowances to the members of the Civil Service is increased by $16,500, as the original estimate of $30,000 has been found to be inadequate.

It will be observed with widespread satisfaction that the recent agitation in the Press in favour of increasing the housing accommodation in the Colony has not been without result. Under Public Works Extraordinary a record outlay of two and a half million dollars is contemplated in order to relieve the existing congestion by opening up residential sites both on the Island and the Peninsula. It is admitted that the growth of the population has more than kept pace with the building activity of the past six years and that it is essential that both in Victoria and Kowloon new areas should be made accessible by main roads, for every class of domestic building. Nobody possessed of any imagination will be inclined to dispute the statement that, large as the sum provided for this purpose is, it represents "a small percentage of the expenditure required thoroughly to develop this great port to meet the probable needs of the next few years." Nor, in view of the urgency of the matter and the fact that the money is available, will there be any disposition to cavil at the decision to take action now instead of waiting until after the war, when the present dearth of dwelling-houses is likely to be accentuated by a considerable influx both of Europeans and Orientals. For the most part, it must be remembered, the measures outlined by the Government are merely the necessary preliminaries to building. It is true that residences for senior officers are to be erected on the eastern slope of Mount GOUGH below "Tanderagee," and on other sites not yet selected; that the scheme for providing dwellings for the subordinate staff is to be continued; and that quarters for the scavenging staff of the Sanitary Board are to be provided in the Central and Eastern districts. With these exceptions, however, the Government will confine itself to road construction. A new road, 20 feet wide, with a ruling gradient of one in twenty, is to run from a point in Morrison Gap Road, above the cemeteries in Wongneichong Valley, round the top of the valley at a height of about 300 feet, into Tai Hang Valley, finally emerging at Tai Hang Village. This road can be extended though Wongneichong Gap to the south side of the island. A branch from this road will cross Bowen Road and continue to rise to the neighbourhood of Wanchai Gap. It may eventually be continued to connect with Craigmin Road, thus giving access to the Peak District. These roads will open up considerable areas of land suitable for building purposes. A beginning is to be made, also, in the construction of main roads in accordance with a large and comprehensive scheme of development in the Peninsusa. In the rapidly developing district of Samshuipo a further area of sea-bed is to be reclaimed. Finally, we are glad that at last the necessity is recognised of establishing telephonic communication with the Police Stations on Lantau and Cheung Chau.

Local news will be found on pages 6 and 7.

One case (one death) of puerperal fever was notified in the Colony on Wednesday.

Dr. and Mrs. F. Lindsay Woods, Sir Ellis Kadoorie, Mr. C. S. Gubbay, and Mr. W. M. Humphreys have left by the *Shinyo Maru* for the North.

The Ven. Archdeacon Sing, who has been consecrated Assistant Bishop in Chekiang, is believed to be the first Chinese Bishop of the Anglican Communion.

Mr. W. F. Tyler, Coast Inspector of the Maritime Customs, has resigned that position to take up a new appointment under the Chinese Government in connexion with the framing of regulations for Chinese steamers.

The Rev. and Mrs. J. K. Maconachie are expected to return to this Colony on Saturday from Kuling. Mr. Maconachie will resume preaching at Union Church on Sunday, conducting the morning and evening services, and also the Communion Service at noon.

Lieut. J. O. Barnes, late manager of the Shanghai Light & Sanitary Co., is once more back in France, attached to the General Headquarters of the R. A. Section, 3rd Echelon, B.E.F. Referring to his artificial leg, he says it seems almost incredible, but he can walk four miles easily.

Travellers from Northern Chihli (says the *Peking Leader*) state that poppy-cultivation is proceeding openly between Chinchow and Hata, and that robbery being rife, soldiers are actually being employed to escort supplies of opium into various distributing centres. No poppy cultivation is reported in the Jehol district. A revival on a huge scale is reported in several Manchuria districts.

We are informed by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation that they have received a cablegram from their London Office to the effect that on and after October 1st a new issue of 5 per cent. National War Bonds is being made. The terms are the same as those of previous issues, except that the Bonds are repayable on September 1st, 1925, and September 1st, 1928. Interest is payable on March 1st and September 1st.

A recent supplement to the *London Gazette* contains the announcement of the award of a bar to the Military Cross, to Major J. A. Pym, M.C., R.G.A., formerly of this Command, "for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. This officer directed the fire of his battery from a forward observation-post when the enemy was making a determined attack. Although wounded in the neck and face and under very heavy fire, he continued to send back information."

Temp. Capt. Cuthbert Scales, M.B., R.A.M.C., recently stationed in this command, was awarded the Military Cross "for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty when in charge of stretcher-bearers. He collected and evacuated many wounded under heavy fire, and remained at his post until forced by the advance of the enemy to withdraw his collecting post further back. There he continued collecting and evacuating as long as possible, showing a fine example to his men."

2nd-Lieut. J. W. Mozley, R.G.A., formerly an N.C.O. of the R.G.A. in this command, has been awarded the Military Cross "for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He kept his section in action until the guns were no longer able to be fired, and then covered them with his Lewis gun and rifles until he obtained tractors from another battery; he got both guns safely away, and next day again extricated one of them from close to the enemy under most trying circumstances. His energy and ability were most praiseworthy."

The Military Cross has been awarded to Lieut. (A/Capt.) Algernon William George Johncock, R.G.A., who, a few years ago was a N.C.O. in the 83rd Co. R.G.A. at Lyemun, "for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. While in command of a forward section of the battery he fought his guns with coolness throughout the day. When ordered to withdraw, the advancing enemy were within 150 yards of his battery position. As it was impossible to rescue the guns, he ordered the men to retire, and remained behind himself and personally destroyed the guns and all secret documents and stores which would be of any use to the enemy. He showed splendid courage and coolness."

HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

ORDERS ISSUED BY MR. J. W. FRANKS, A.S.P. (in).

PARADES.
CENTRAL 5.30 P.M.
Monday, October 7th.—No. 2 Company under Company Commander.
Tuesday, October 8th.—No. 1 Company under C. I. Lammert.
Wednesday, October 9th.—No. 3 Company under Company Commander.
BAND PRACTICES.
Tuesdays—8th, 15th, 22nd October, 6 p.m.
Fridays—11th and 18th October, 6 p.m.
October 3rd, 1918.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

WAR PRISONESS FROM BLAGOVESTCHENSK DISARMED.

TOKIO, September 29th. (delayed).

The War Office announces that 15,000 armed Austro-German war prisoners from Blagovestschensk have reached Heitho. They have been disarmed.

[BY COURTESY OF THE "CHUNG NGOI SAN PO."]

THE PRESIDENT'S ASSUMPTION OF OFFICE.

PEKING, October 3rd.

It is officially announced that Hsu Shih-chang, President-elect, will assume office on the 10th inst. A ceremony is being prepared for the occasion.

THE ACTING PRESIDENT AND THE SOUTH.

It is reported that Fung Kuo-chang will be prevented from leaving Peking for fear that he may co-operate with the South.

MILITARY MOVEMENT.

Fungtien troops are being dispatched continuously to the South, with a view to forcing a way into Nam-king.

GENERAL MILITARY SERVICE TRIBUNAL.

TO-DAY'S AGENDA.

Consideration of temporary exemptions granted to the following:—
3.30 p.m.—Mr. G. A. Dumbarton, Commercial Union Assurance Co.
3.50 p.m.—Mr. J. D. Birrell, Messrs. Gerin Drevard & Co.
4.10 p.m.—Mr. E. V. Mitchelmore, Messrs. Whiteaway Laidlaw & Co.
4.30 p.m.—*Hongkong University*:—
F. M. H. Holman, medically fit.
(The remaining men of military age in the University went before the Tribunal on 13th July, 1918).
4.45 p.m.—*Messrs. Alex. Ross & Co.*
D. K. Moss, medically fit.
(The remaining men of military age in this firm went before the Tribunal on 17th July, 1918).
5.00 p.m.—*Hongkong Tramway Co.*
W. S. Glendinning, medically fit.
(The remaining men of military age in this Company went before the Tribunal on 17th July, 1918).

"OUR DAY" DERBY.

NOTES ON THE GRIFFINS.

The last three of the ten griffins specially imported for the "Our Day" Derby arrived on Monday and received an enthusiatic reception from a small deputation of mafoos.

Training has now commenced, and the following notes should help those who are interested in the form of the ponies:—

"Cicero" is rather a pretty chestnut colour, but his further capabilities for racing are unknown.

"Rocksand" is a little nervous; he goes round the course in a state of perpetual astonishment, and the inconsiderate behaviour of some sparrows on Wednesday morning caused him to shy into the ditch. This looks bad.

"Bend Or" is a fine brown, and is considered by many to be a likely starter, in which case he should appear in the photograph of the race, unless the pace is too much for the camera.

"Dustman" was quite yellow, and seemed rather dispirited, on arrival, having apparently suffered from *mal de mer*. After a rest, during which he was not allowed even carriage exercise, he is understood to be convalescent, and will probably cause a sensation when he appears on the course.

"Robert the Devil" is a dark horse—brown, to be precise. He waves his tail gracefully and should be worth watching.

"Attaboy" is a neat little black pony, and prances prettily.

"War Bond" appears to have been so named because the genial owner regards him as a desirable investment. If a ticket is taken on him, not more than $5 will be lost, and most of this goes to the Red Cross. He has many points, however, besides this.

"Rustomjee" is called a roan, and looks something like a trout—referring to his colour, of course, and not his shape. He will certainly catch the judge's eye—even if he comes in last.

"Ferdy," though described as a brown, is really a "white" pony when you know him. His namesake does not appear to have had much luck lately, but we hope for the best in his case.

"Dicebox" belongs to Mr. Goahead. *Nous verrons!*

The names of the ponies and their owners are as follows:—
Hon. Mr. David Landale's "Cicero."
Mr. Blank's "Rocksand."
Mr. Hough's "Bend Or."
Mr. Dowbiggin's "Dustman."
Mr. Leefe's "Robert the Devil."
Ewo Mess' "Attaboy."
Mr. Thomas' "War Bond."
Mr. D. M. Ross' "Rustomjee."
Mr. Dryasdust's "Ferdy."
Mr. Goahead's "Dicebox."

LYNX.

THE WAR.

BITING THROUGH THE HINDENBURG D FENCES:

FRENCH TROOPS ENTER ST. QUENTIN:

GERMAN RESISTANCE HARDENING.

BULGARIA READY TO FIGHT TURKEY.

DAMASCUS OCCUPIED BY THE BRITISH.

KAISER'S DESPAIRING APPEAL FOR THE "DEFENCE OF THE FATHERLAND."

Franco-Belgian Front

LATEST CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BRITISH FRONT.

GREVECOEUR AND RUMILLY CAPTURED.

LONDON, October 2nd.

Sir Douglas Haig states:

After maintaining strong pressure earlier in the day, the Thirty-Second Division successfully attacked in the afternoon the centre of the German defensive line from Fonsomme to the neighbourhood of Beaurevoir.

We captured Sequehart, and Presselles, and broke through the Fonsomme-Beaurevoir line.

On the north we cleared Joncourt of the enemy.

The Australians completed the capture of the enemy's defences south of Le Catelet and Gouy.

South of Cambrai, a fierce struggle all day long was terminated in a successful attack at dusk, in which the New Zealanders, English, and Scottish drove out the enemy from Crevecoeur and Rumilly, and established themselves on the high ground on the east and north of those villages.

Several hundred prisoners were taken in these operations.

GERMAN RESISTANCE HARDENING.

LONDON, October 2nd.

The consensus of opinion among correspondents, yesterday, was that the German resistance has stiffened.

The enemy is fighting very desperately in an attempt to hold the vital positions. The struggle is most furious on the road to Cambrai, which the German High Command evidently considers essential for the whole line of defence.

Twelve German Divisions have been flung into this sector since September 27th. Of these six are on a front of five miles.

On the other hand, the British are fighting with incomparable spirit, and are advancing steadily, if slower than recently.

The fact that the Germans deliberately set fire to Cambrai shows that they were not hopeful of saving the town.

Several newspapers are of opinion that in view of the wanton destruction of cities like Cambrai, the Allies should announce their intention of reprisals.

It is pointed out that Marshal Foch's skill in threatening the enemy with strategical rupture at three points, namely, at Metz, in Central France, and in Belgium, accounts for the enemy's apprehension of disaster, and consequent hardening of his resistance.

The newspapers deprecate the abating of pressure, under optimism of the surrender of Bulgaria. They declare that the task of the Allies in the West is still stupendously difficult.

Similarly, American newspapers are far from assuming that the war is over. They urge a redoubled effort, as the opportunity is ripe to completely defeat Germany on the battle-field.

ENVELOPING MOVEMENT AGAINST LILLE.

PARIS, October 2nd.

A semi-official statement, after confirming the statement that all the communications of Western Flanders with Lille have been cut, speaks of an enveloping movement from the north against Tourcoing, Roubaix and Lille becoming accentuated, and, incidentally, mentions that a French Army under General Degoutte is now operating in the vicinity of Roulers.

FRENCH TROOPS FIGHTING IN FLANDERS.

LONDON, October 2nd.

Great interest is being evinced in the operations in Flanders.

A French semi-official statement says that General Degoutte's Army has been operating there since Monday. Previously it acted on the left of General Mangin's Army. Presumably it was it sent north as soon as the Belgian—British break through was definitely established.

GERMAN ADMISSION OF WITHDRAWALS.

LONDON, October 2nd.

A German official statement says:—

We withdrew from parts of the salient on the lines near St. Quentin, north-west of Rheims and west of the Argonne.

The enemy gained a footing at Ledeghem. Our counter-attack regained the eastern part of the town.

On the fifth day of the Cambrai Battle we repulsed seven assaults north of Sancourt, and, further south, the enemy advanced beyond Abancourt and Batigny, and towards Cuvillers. A counter-attack drove back him beyond Abancourt and Bantigny.

The enemy's assault broke down at and south of Cambrai.

The enemy captured Rumilly and occupied St. Quentin.

We withdrew from the Vesle and north-west of Rheims.

EARLIER CABLES.

PROGRESS IN THE ST QUENTIN—CAMBRAI SECTOR.

LONDON, October 1st.

Sir Douglas Haig states:—

Our operations continued satisfactorily on the St. Quentin—Cambrai battle-front.

We advanced considerably towards the East on to the high ground east of Le Vergies, on the extreme right and north-east of St. Quentin.

Further north we gained a footing at Joncourt, and stormed the defences and village of Estrees, clearing the enemy from the high ground south of Le Catelet.

Severe fighting occurred in the centre of the line, in the villages of Grevecoeur and Rumilly, and on the rising ground on the north and east.

On the left, between Cambrai and the Sensee River, we have been severely engaged throughout the morning attacking and counter-attacking fresh hostile forces.

HEAVY FIGHTING IN CAMBRAI SUBURBS.

Notwithstanding this, we have made progress east of Tilloy, which is a northern suburb of Cambrai, and in the neighbourhood of Blacourt.

Since September 27th, on the St. Quentin—Cambrai battle-front we have engaged and defeated, with heavy losses, 36 German divisions.

MAGNIFICENT CAPTURES.

The British captured during September 66,300 men, of whom 1,500 were officers.

We also captured 700 guns of all calibres and some thousands of machine-guns.

The British captured in August and September 123,618 men, of whom 2,783 were officers. We took 1,400 guns.

GERMANS SET CAMBRAI ON FIRE.

LONDON, October 1st.

Sir Douglas Haig states:—

Our attack north of St. Quentin was continued on Monday afternoon.

We captured Reverzies after sharp fighting.

Farther north we progressed towards Joncourt and took possession of Vendhuile.

The British and Canadians are closing in upon Cambrai, and have captured Proville and Tilloy in the face of strong resistance.

The enemy set fire to Cambrai.

Fighting recommenced this morning north of the St. Quentin and Cambrai sector.

GERMAN AIRMEN NOT ACTIVE.

LONDON, October 1st.

Sir Douglas Haig states:—

The weather was unsuitable for flying yesterday but our low-fliers succeeded in keeping touch with our advancing infantry.

We dropped nine tons of bombs on troops, transport trains and bridges.

The enemy airmen are not active. Two British machines are missing.

THE INTREPID CANADIANS.

LONDON, October 1st.

Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, telegraphing this evening, says:—

The battle on the St. Quentin—Cambrai front was resumed this morning with unequalled ferocity.

The Germans have thrown in large reserves, and are resisting and counter-attacking very desperately.

The fiercest fighting was in the sector north of Cambrai, where the Canadians attacked this morning against at least eight divisions.

The struggle is going well, but details are lacking. My impression is "all out." The combat is progressing here and if the Canadians succeed in cracking the line they will sweep on into Bluey and Joncourt.

A large portion of the Nauroy trench system was carried by the Fourth Army units.

AUSTRALIANS CAPTURE ESTREES.

South of Cambrai the Australians attacked this morning in the direction of Gouy making good progress. They captured Estrees, also the important "Mill" ridge astride the Hindenburg line north-east of Bellicourt.

The New Zealanders and British also heavily engaged the Germans, who are certainly suffering very heavily from our local preponderance in artillery.

In Flanders there is little change but Ledeghem and Rollegheim-Cappelle are apparently occupied.

THE "PINCHING-OUT" PLAN AT CAMBRAI.

LONDON, October 1st.

Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, telegraphing yesterday states:—

The Canadians, Australians and Americans have been heavily counter-attacked, but more than maintained their ground.

Last evening we reached the high ground south-east of Laberger and were along the line of the Joncourt—Bony Spur and the Cambrai—St Quentin railway Spur.

North of Cambrai we again progressed, but bodies of the enemy still hold the town. Therefore we are continuing the "pinching-out" plan.

Elsewhere we pushed out strong battle patrols to probe the enemy defences, and great reconnoitring activity is proceeding which should largely solve the situation.

We are steadily eating our way through the Hindenburg defences beyond which lie the possibilities of completely open warfare.

The Belgians pushed beyond the shell-town zone of mud and water and occupied comparatively dry comfortable positions in the enemy lines.

The enemy has lost practically the whole of his forward artillery. Some of his heaviest naval guns were seized near Staden.

The Germans fought stoutly in the Houthulst Forest, but were completely surprised by the onrush of the Belgians, and, through a soaking downpour, fell like flies.

The One Hundredth Saxons, who came into the line on the night of September 28th, were raided by the Belgians, who, recognising the despoilers of Dinant, wiped out their score fully as far as this unit was concerned.

IMPORTANT ADVANCE IN BELGIUM.

LONDON, October 2nd.

Fresh and very important news from Flanders shows that we made a further advance of from one to two and a half miles on the whole front south of Dixmude.

The Lille—Ostend railway was cut north of Menin, while General Plumer's troops, who were close to Menin, crossed the Lys on a five mile front, north of Lille, which is consequently outflanked.

GENERAL PLUMER'S OBJECTIVE.

A Paris expert is of the opinion that General Plumer's objective is the securing of the Lys passages as far as Courtrai, which is pregnant with enormous possibilities.

BRITISH CAPTURE LEDEGHEM.

LONDON, October 2nd.

A Belgian *communiqué* states:—

The Belgian troops made further progress in the direction of Hoglede and Roulers.

The British seized Ledeghem and crossed the Lys between Werviq and Commines.

THROUGH GERMAN EYES.

LONDON, October 1st.

A German *communiqué* states:—

The enemy broke into our position on September 27th and compelled us to withdraw the right wing of our defensive front from north of Dixmude to Werken, and evacuate the Wytschaete salient.

Tremendous fighting continues between Cambrai and St. Quentin.

The enemy has gained a footing in the suburbs of Cambrai. At Neuville and Cantimpre, south of Marcoing, the enemy forced us back behind the Canal.

In the sector of Masnieres and Crevecoeur we re-took Villers-Guislain.

The enemy crossed the Canal between Bellicourt and Bell Englise.

Our regiments north of Gricourt withdrew their wing to Lehaucourt.

The English bought their local successes sanguinarily.

They captured Manre and Ardeusl. We took Apremont and Montre-Beau Wood from the Americans.

We shot down 45 aeroplanes.

LATER.

A German official message states:—

We captured some hundreds of Belgians near the coast.

The Canadians temporarily advanced on the north and beyond Cambrai to Ramilles.

We threw back the enemy on Tilloy. South of Cambrai we completely held our positions against repeated assaults.

The French gained heights north of Breuil.

We took prisoner two French companies near St. Marie Apy and drove back strong American forces at Apremont and Montre Beau Forest, with heavy losses.

LATEST CABLES.

FRENCH FRONT.

GERMANS THROWN ACROSS ST. QUENTIN CANAL.

LONDON, October 2nd.

A French *communiqué* states:—

Very lively actions occurred in St. Quentin at night. The enemy has been thrown over to the east bank of the Canal, where he is resisting energetically.

Between the Aisne and the Veslo we gained fresh advantages west of Rheims.

We hold Pouillon, Thil, and the southern outskirts of Villers-Franquez.

The St. Thierry massif is in our hands.

We also gained ground north of Neuvillette, and carried our lines to the southern outskirts of Betheny.

EARLIER CABLES.

IMPORTANT ADVANCE IN THE AISNE VALLEY.

LONDON, October 1st.

A French *communiqué* states:—

Our advance was resumed this morning between the Aisne and the Velse.

In Champagne our troops, pursuing their attacks, have completed their success.

Yesterday evening, on our right, we carried out an important advance in the valley of the Aisne and captured Binarville and Conde-les-Autry, taking also many prisoners and considerable material, including 200 railway trucks.

Since Sept. 26th we have taken over 13,000 prisoners between the Suippe and Argonne, also 300 guns including a large number of heavy guns.

DESPERATE FIGHTING IN ST. QUENTIN.

LONDON, October 1st.

A French *communiqué* states:—

The First French Army, co-operating with the British in the region of St. Quentin, achieved important results to-day.

"Pursuing the retreating enemy we penetrated St. Quentin as far as the canal.

The Germans are still stubbornly resisting at the extremities of the town which was outflanked on the north.

We reached the canal between Le Tronquoy and Rouvroy.

On the south-west we progressed into the Hindenburg Line to a point two kilometres east of Gauchy.

BIG ENEMY WITHDRAWAL IN THE RHEIMS REGION.

On the Vesle the Third Army's vigorous pressure was crowned with success. The Germans were forced to abandon the plateaux between the Aisne and the Rheims region, and fell back along the whole line.

FRENCH HOLD THE RIGHT BANK OF THE AISNE.

We occupied Maizy and Concevreux on the south bank of the Aisne which is in our hands. Between Maizy and Concevreux, and further on the right, Meurival, Ventilay, Bouvencourt, Trigny, Chenay, Nerey, and St. Thierry were captured. Since yesterday 2,100 prisoners were taken, also 20 guns, including ten heavy guns.

CONTINUED PROGRESS IN CHAMPAGNE.

The gallant Fourth Army, in Champagne, continuing its effort of the preceding days, has increased its advantage. We conquered, on the right, in the Aisne Valley, Autry and Autry Wood and Vaux-les-Mourons, five kilometres north of Bouconville.

Farther west we reached the southern outskirts of Challerang and carried our lines one kilometre.

South of Circy we penetrated the Offeuil Woods, south-east of which we took, during the day, numerous prisoners guns and much material, which it is impossible to count.

AMERICAN SUCCESSES.

LONDON, October 2nd.

An American *communique* states:—

We advanced our lines in the Argonne forest.

Further east our patrols passed beyond Cierges and are operating north of the town. They are in contact with the enemy on the road between Exermont and Gennes.

In the north, we are advancing with the French and British, and participating in their successes.

Since Sept. 26th our aviators have shot down over 100 planes and 21 balloons.

FRENCH TROOPS ENTER ST. QUENTIN.

LONDON, October 1st.

Reuter's Correspondent at French Headquarters, telegraphing yesterday evening, stated:—

The battle continues on the whole of the French and American front from St. Quentin to the Meuse.

The British and French attack north and south of St. Quentin, launched yesterday afternoon, enabled General Debeney's troops, north of the Somme, to cross the Cambrai—St. Quentin Road on the South.

The French line now runs from Giffecourt to Urvillers.

Huge explosions occurred at St. Quentin this morning.

Towards the Aisne the French progressed beyond Revillon.

The Germans are clinging obstinately in the centre to the wooded massif at St. Thierry, stretching from Cormicy to the Velse, and constituting a very strong position.

French troops entered St. Quentin this afternoon.

IMPORTANT GAINS IN CHAMPAGNE.

LONDON, October 1st.

Reuter's correspondent at French Headquarters states:—

At 10 o'clock on Tuesday evening the French entered St. Quentin. In the after noon they traversed the town to the eastern outskirts.

General Gourand's Army in Champagne made important gains on the whole battle-front. Its right reached Lancon, on the edge of Argonne, cutting off a pocket four miles deep, which the Germans held between our yesterday's line and the edge of Argonne Forest.

The front to-night runs almost straight from south of Monthois to Lancon and Vaux-le-Mourons, midway between Monthois and the edge of the Forest.

We reached the entrance of Grandpte Valley, across the Argonne.

On the left the line advanced two miles beyond Sommepy.

AIRMEN'S PART IN THE BATTLE.

LONDON, October 1st.

The Air Ministry states:—

In conjunction with the First American Army's operations we bombed Metz-Sablon station and the Frescaty aerodrome on the night of September 30th.

Bad weather obscured observation.

We also attacked the blast furnaces at Burnach. One British machine did not return.

FRENCH NOW ASTRIDE CHEMIN-DES-DAMES.

LONDON, October 1st.

A Havas message says:—

The Belgians have advanced to the outskirts of Roulers.

Sir Douglas Haig has extended his grip on the Hindenburg system and is fighting in the suburbs of Cambrai.

General Mangin won back the ground which the French gained last year astride the Chemin-des-Dames.

The Americans advanced shouting "Lusitania."

The Balkans.

EARLIER CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE BULGARIAN ARMISTICE.

BULGARIA NOT AVERSE FROM ATTACKING TURKEY.

LONDON, October 1st.

Reuter understands that according to reliable news received in London, Bulgaria, during the armistice discussions, indicated that she was not averse from attacking Turkey.

It is, emphasised, however, in this connection, that Bulgaria could only act militarily in co-operation with the Allies.

INTERESTING DEVELOPMENTS EXPECTED.

LONDON, October 1st.

Reuter learns that Roumanian quarters are elated at the opportunity of the liberation of the country from German tyranny.

Very interesting developments are expected.

The Allied Command is now occupying necessary points of strategic importance, as provided by the Armistice.

The Dobrudja Province and the Constanza railway are receiving due attention. North of Constanza the railway in the Dobrudja is under a condominium of the Austrians, Germans, Bulgarians, and Turks, but the territory south of the railway was ceded to Bulgaria by the Bukharest Treaty, which the Allies do not recognise.

BOLSHEVISM IN SOFIA.

PARIS, October 1st.

A telegram from Salonica states that Mr. Murphy, the United States Consul-General at Sofia has arrived there. He states that as a result of the Crown Council held on September 23rd, Tsar Ferdinand appealed to Berlin and Vienna for immediate help, which Austria and Germany refused.

Tsar Ferdinand then appealed to the *Entente* because he realised that in order to keep his throne and life, it was imperative to have a foreign military force in Bulgaria, where revolution was already making progress, and the extremest Bolshevism was the doctrine to day.

Sofia workers and soldiers held meetings and made laws, and demonstrated before the Palace, frequently alluding to the assassination of Tsar Nicholas.

SOME EFFECTS OF BULGARIA'S CAPITULATION.

LONDON, October 1st.

A Havas message says:—

Bulgaria has surrendered unconditionally to the Allies.

The withdrawal of Bulgaria from the war will bring vast results, as nothing in the Balkans is adequate to withstand the Allied armies.

The surrender of Turkey is possible. The game of Enver Bey and Talaat Bey will have finished by the collapse of German influence in the Ukraine and the Caucasus.

The awakening of Roumania is now possible, and there is great depression among German officers.

German troops have been ordered to an unknown destination.

There is a rumour of a mutiny among Austrian troops.

Several Austrian regiments have massacred their officers.

Serbia's territory will soon be clear of the enemy.

The Hapsburg Slavs will take advantage of the Bulgarian capitulation.

HOSTILITIES SUSPENDED.

LONDON, October 1st.

A French Eastern *communiqué* states:

During September 30th the Allied armies continued to advance until noon, when, according to the armistice, hostilities were suspended.

The Serbians occupied the Gradishte and Plavitse heights, between Uskub and the Bulgarian frontier.

The Allies entered Kicevo, and captured Struga, in the region of the lakes.

Austrian troops west of Lake Ochrida are still resisting vigorously.

BULGARIANS RETURNING HOME.

LONDON, October 2nd.

A Serbian *communiqué* states:—

The Bulgarian troops are returning to Bulgaria.

The Near East.

EARLIER CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

DAMASCUS BEING ENCIRCLED.

LONDON, October 1st.

A Palestine official statement says:—

By the evening of September 30th our cavalry had established themselves on the north, west and south of Damascus. A thousand prisoners and five guns were taken from the rear-guards disputing the advance during the day.

BRITISH OCCUPY DAMASCUS.

LONDON, October 2nd.

A Palestine *communiqué* states:—

Damascus was occupied yesterday morning.

Russian Front.

LATEST CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SOUTHERN KARELIA CLEARED OF GERMANS.

LONDON, October 2nd.

A British official statement from North Russia states:—

In connection with the capture of Ukhtinskaya 100 of the enemy were killed.

Southern Karelia was cleared of the enemy except 200 newly-arrived reinforcements, who are surrounded south-west of Ukhtinskaya.

Aerial Activities.

LATEST CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PANIC IN THE RHINE DISTRICTS.

LONDON, October 2nd.

The Press Bureau states:—

A neutral who has just returned from Germany states that there is widespread terror in the Rhine District owing to the British raids.

The central portion of the main railway station at Frankfort is so damaged that trains are unable to enter, but trains arrive at and depart from improvised improvised wooden platforms at some distance from the station.

Naval Activities.

EARLIER CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BOMBARDMENT OF THE FLEMISH COAST.

OVER ONE HUNDRED AEROPLANES PARTICIPATE.

LONDON, October 1st.

Dealing with the combined attack by our airmen and our warships on the Flemish coast on Friday night and Saturday morning, in conjunction with the Belgian land offensive, the Frontier correspondent of the *Telegraaf* says:—

A good 100 aeroplanes participated. The ships lay pretty far from the shore and directed terrible fire on the coast. Some of the vessels had begun fairly early and took the less important points under fire, for example, the Knocke dunes, between Knocke and the Dutch frontier, where heavy guns were stationed.

The main attack, however, was directed on the harbour of Zeebrugge and its environs, and the canal at Bruges. The main attack lasted two hours and was carried out in rough weather and heavy rain.

General.

LATEST CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

DR. SOLF AGAIN!

WHY GERMANY WANTS HER COLONIES BACK.

AMSTERDAM, October 2nd.

Dr. Solf, lecturing at Munich before an audience including the King of Bavaria, said that the national importance of regaining her Colonies was not surpassed by any other task.

The present substitutes for raw materials could not suffice in time of peace. For wool alone Germany would have to keep 50,000,000 sheep, which was practically impossible. The supply of raw materials was the weakest point in Germany's world economy, hence she would need her Colonies.

THE OLD DEMAND ADHERED TO.

Dr. Solf argued that Germany must have her Colonies to prevent her commercial isolation.

He said that the policy of the open door must be one of the most important demands at the conclusion of peace.

Germany had no thought of militarising Africa, but desired to prevent the employment of coloured men in Europe.

The Imperial Government adhered firmly to the demand for the return of her African and South Sea possessions, as well as the fresh partition of Africa, so as to consolidate Germany's scattered possessions.

Dr. Solf added that Belgium, Portugal and France possessed excessively large stretches of territory and remarked that Germany did not want the lion's share.

EARLIER CABLES.

RUSSIAN AFFAIRS.

BRITISH SUBJECTS MALTREATED IN PETROGRAD.

LONDON, October 2nd.

The *Daily Chronicle* contains a despatch, dated September 5th, from its correspondent imprisoned in the St. Peter and St. Paul fortress in Petrograd.

The despatch says that he and the correspondents of the *Times*, *Morning Post*, and *Daily Express* were arrested the day after the murder of Commander Cromie. With the British Vice-Consul and a chaplain they were imprisoned in a room in the Prefecture of the Police, with 120 others—British and French subjects and Russian criminals.

Eventually, in consequence of overcrowding, the British and French and a few others, including some septuagendarians, were marched through the streets to the St. Peter and St. Paul fortress, where batches of 20 were put into cells, in which, under the old regime, only one was confined. Here they had to sleep on the stone floor and were fed twice weekly with putrid food.

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THE WAR.

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General.

EARLIER CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GERMANY'S DOMESTIC TROUBLES

LONDON, October 1st.

A Havas message says:

There is a great political crisis in Germany. Count Hertling, the Chancellor, Admiral von Hintze, the Foreign Minister, have resigned. The Kaiser has accepted both resignations.

The Kaiser has a new political plan forced on him by the French victories. He now wishes the co-operation of the German people in the task of deciding the fate of the country.

FRANTIC APPEAL FROM THE KAISER.

AMSTERDAM, October 1st.

The Kaiser has sent a message to the Fatherland Party in which he appeals to the whole German people "in these most earnest times resolutely to gather round me and give their blood and wealth until the last breath for the defence of the Fatherland."

The *Vorwaerts*, which the Government is now apparently making a vehicle for breaking the seriousness of the position to the people, describes the situation as one of fearful gravity, and appeals to everyone to do his duty.

NAMING THE NEW CHANCELLOR.

AMSTERDAM, October 2nd.

The *Berliner Tageblatt* says Herr von Payer, the Vice-Chancellor, has had a conference with the Reichstag Majority Party leaders as regards the composition of the new Government.

Representatives of the Right, also Poles and Independent Socialists, have declined to participate in a Coalition.

The *Tageblatt* states that all the Prussian Ministers are placing their portfolios at the disposal of the Kaiser.

All the State Secretaries, including Admiral von Hintze, have tendered their resignations.

The parties of the Right favour Count Roedern as Chancellor.

The Majority parties favour Herr von Payer.

Failing him, Dr. Solf would be the principal candidate.

PEACE DEMONSTRATIONS IN BERLIN.

LONDON, October 1st.

Reuter learns that news was received in London of peace demonstrations in Berlin on September 28th.

Cheering crowds assembled in front of the Bulgarian Legation. The Police eventually intervened, but the rioters got completely out of hand and committed various excesses, including the destruction of a number of statues.

SHIP-BUILDING IN THE UNITED KINGDOM.

LONDON, October 2nd.

The Admiralty announces that the tonnage of merchantmen completed in the United Kingdom in September was 144,772 compared with 124,675 in August, and 63,150 in September of last year. The total for the 12 months ended on September 30th was 1,394,282 tons.

CLYDE SHIP-WRIGHTS RESUME WORK.

LONDON, October 1st.

The Clyde shipwrights resumed work to-day.

"FEED THE GUNS."

LONDON, October 1st.

A Havas messags says:—

A war bond campaign has opened in the London Guildhall. The battle-cry of the Campaign is "Feed the guns."

Mr. Balfour appealed for a minimum weekly subscription of £25,000,000.

GERMAN REIGN OF TERROR IN RUMANIA.

AMSTERDAM, October 1st.

A telegram from Zurich says the Germans have proclaimed a most drastic state of seige throughout occupied Roumania.

They have posted manifestoss in all the towns, threatening severe penalties in the event of repetition of recent demonstrations.

Apparently serious events have occurred of which there are no details.

AN AUSTRIAN SUBTERFUGE

LONDON, October 2nd.

The Press Bureau states:—

A Serbian semi-official statement says that the news of the risings of the Serbians, Croatians and Slovenes should be received with great reserve, as it is feared that the Austro-Hungarians are inducing the police to excite the peaceful inhabitants, to furnish a pretext to confiscate their property and imprison them in Austria-Hungary.

THE SILVER MARKET

LONDON, October 2nd.

The silver market is steady.

HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

(Continued from Page 3.)

LAI-CHI-KOK CAMP.

The Governor recommended the Council to vote a sum of six thousand dollars in aid of the vote Public Works, Extraordinary, New Territories, Miscellaneous, (45) Miscellaneous Works.

The CHAIRMAN—This expenditure was incurred mostly in connection with Lai-Chi-Kok camp.

The vote was agreed to.

TRAINING NULLAHS.

The Officer Administering the Government recommended the Council to vote a sum of eight thousand five hundred dollars in aid of the vote Public Works, Extraordinary, Hongkong, Drainage, (7) Training Nullahs, (6)—General Works.

The CHAIRMAN—This vote includes a number of small works. Chiefly the money is needed for training a nullah at Happy Valley.

The vote was agreed to.

RAINSTORM DAMAGE.

The Officer Administering the Government recommended the Council to vote a sum of two thousand seven hundred dollars in aid of the vote Public Works, Recurrent, Hongkong, Miscellaneous, (17) Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages.

The CHAIRMAN—This is an equivalent vote to that for the New Territories—for damage caused by land slides and so on.

The vote was agreed to.

CHARITABLE SERVICES.

The Officer Administering the Government recommended the Council to vote a sum of six hundred dollars in aid of the vote Charitable Services, Other Charitable Allowances.

The CHAIRMAN—This is a grant to the widow of Mr. Jones who was for a long time first Boarding Officer of the Harbour Office. Mr. Jones was not a contributor to the Widows and Orphans Fund.

The vote was agreed to.

ALICE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

The Officer Administering the Government recommended the Council to vote a sum of five hundred dollars in aid of the vote Public Works, Recurrent, Hongkong, Miscellaneous, (17) Typhoon and Rainstorm Damages.

The CHAIRMAN—This is in respect of a retaining wall of the Alice Memorial Hospital. The retaining wall gave way after the rains and it had to be repaired at a cost of $1,400. As the hospital is a charitable institution very much in need of funds the Government desire to make a grant of $500 towards this expenditure.

Hon. Mr. SHELLIM—Would it not be possible for the Government to be a little more liberal in this matter.

The CHAIRMAN—What do you suggest?

Hon. Mr. HOLYOAK—$1,000.

The COLONIAL TREASURER—I do not know that it is right for this to come under Public Works. It is a private matter and should come under Charitable Services.

Hon. Mr. SHELLIM—We suggest $1,000 should be given.

The CHAIRMAN—I will make a note of that.

The vote was agreed to.

NEW TERRITORY POLICE STATIONS.

The Officer Administering the Government recommended the Council to vote a sum of four thousand dollars in aid of the vote Public Works, Extraordinary, New Territories, Miscellaneous, (45) Miscellaneous Works.

The CHAIRMAN—This is mainly for improvements in the New Territories Police Stations.

The vote was agreed to.

REPLACING TREES.

The Officer Administering the Government recommended the Council to vote a sum of one thousand one hundred dollars in aid of the vote Botanical and Forestry, Department, Other Charges, Forestry, New Territories.

The CHAIRMAN—This is mainly to replace a large number of trees killed by frost at the beginning of the year.

The vote was agreed to.

FANLING GOLF COURSE.

The Officer Administering the Government recommended the Council to vote a sum of one hundred and sixty-four dollars and ninety-eight cents in aid of the vote Botanical and Forestry Department, Other Charges, Improvements to Fanling Golf Course.

The CHAIRMAN—This is an additional small sum required for the top dressing of the Fanling Course during the summer.

The vote was agreed to.

FERRY SERVICES.

The Officer Administering the Government recommended the Council to vote a sum of twenty-nine thousand five hundred dollars in aid of the vote Public Works, Extraordinary, Kowloon, Miscellaneous, Resumption of Ferry Piers.

The CHAIRMAN—This is in connection with the scheme for the Government taking over the various ferry services.

The vote was agreed to.

LAUNCH REPAIRS.

The Officer Administering the Government recommended the Council to vote a sum of five thousand dollars in aid of the vote Harbour Master's Department, *D.*—Steam Launches, Other Charges, Repairs.

The CHAIRMAN—It was found that one of the launches was in a very bad condition. Instead of buying a new one it is proposed to re-build her as was done very successfully in the cases of the *Stanley* and *Victoria*.

The vote was agreed to.

PORTUGUESE VILLAGE SCHEME.

The Officer Administering the Government recommended the Council to vote a sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars in aid of the vote Public Works, Extraordinary, Kowloon, Drainage, (33) Training Nullahs, General Works.

The CHAIRMAN—This is largely in connection with the Portuguese village scheme by the Yaumati railway station. Drainage is required, and some minor works.

The vote was agreed to.

THE MILLION DOLLAR OPIUM CASE.

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND THE COSTS.

UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS OPPOSE PAYMENT.

The costs incurred by the Government in connection with "The Million Dollar Opium Case" came up for sanction at the meeting of the Legislative Council, yesterday, and elicited a strong protest from the four European Unofficial Members.

H.E. the OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT—With reference to Financial Minute No. 63 (covering a sum of $151,039.70 for legal expenses) I should like to explain to the Council the manner in which the Government became liable for this expenditure. The expenditure in question represents the costs incurred by the Government owing to their intervention in an action originally commenced by the Official Receiver under the Companies Ordinances, *i.e.*, O.J. Action No. 61 of 1914. The case first came directly to the notice of the Government in the form of a representation to the effect that the Official Receiver, owing to lack of funds, was unable to continue the proceedings. It was pointed out that, in consequence of the extraordinary length of the proceedings, the shareholder who was providing the funds for the Official Receiver had, in supporting the winding up proceedings and the action, already spent a considerable fortune and the whole of his resources then available. It was also pointed out that the action was probably about to be dismissed, part heard, and that the shareholder in question would perhaps be ordered to pay the defendants' heavy costs, solely because he could find no more money for the prosecution of the action; whereas from the facts and allegations disclosed in the course of the proceedings it appeared to be manifestly in the interests of public justice that the case should be carried to a conclusion one way or the other. When the facts disclosed in the winding up proceedings, and the charges which were made in the action, were thus brought to the knowledge of the Government, they were of opinion that the charges made, whether true or false, were such as to demand investigation by the Criminal Courts at the earliest opportunity. They accordingly decided to institute criminal proceedings against two of the defendants in the action and such proceedings were commenced. The intention of the Government was to proceed with the criminal charge forthwith. In the meantime an application was made to stay the civil action, because it seemed unreasonable that the civil action should be dismissed without being fully heard, while the criminal proceedings would raise to a great extent the same points. The Court, however, expressed the view that the civil action should not be postponed so as to allow the criminal proceedings to be completed first, and they refused to grant any stay of the civil action for that purpose. Under these circumstances, and particularly in view of the opinion expressed by the Court, it was decided that the Government should assume responsibility for the future costs of the Official Receiver, and for such costs as the Court might award against him if the defendants proved successful. In considering this decision it must be borne in mind that the criminal proceedings, which on the evidence then before the Government they were bound to institute, would probably have occupied a longer time than the continuation of the civil action, and would have involved extremely heavy costs to both sides. A minor result of continuing the criminal proceedings would have been that a special jury would have had to sit for five days a week during a long period. This expenditure of time and money was avoided by the continuance of the civil proceedings. To proceed with the criminal charges would have meant the beginning of the whole case *de novo*.

The Financial Minutes were then referred to the Finance Committee.

The CHAIRMAN—This vote has already been explained by H.E. the Officer Administering the Government.

Hon. Mr. LANDALE—Is the whole of this amount for that one case?

The CHAIRMAN—The whole of it, and I would ask leave to add $830.45 to the Financial Minutes in connection with the costs of the criminal proceedings which were only taxed this morning.

Hon. Mr. LANDALE—Before incurring so large an expenditure would it not have been possible to lay the matter before the Legislative Council?

The CHAIRMAN—It was hardly realised, I think, that the expenditure would come to anything like this sum. It was, as you know, a very long case. The Government anticipated, when they intervened, that the remaining part of the proceedings would be very short, and we were advised that the chances of success were considerable.

The COLONIAL TREASURER—One difficulty about bringing it before the Council would have been that it would not be considered proper to discuss an action which was still going on.

Hon. Mr. HOLYOAK—Were the Government aware that the Official Receiver had brought this action in his name?

The CHAIRMAN—No, they were not at first. The Official Receiver was an officer recently appointed. He has a large discretion in such matters, but as an ordinary rule the Official Receiver does not bring an action in his own name unless the funds are ample to cover the costs. When he began the action, of course, he had a very large sum of money, and it was very reasonable to think that that sum of money would cover any possible costs.

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Hon. Mr. HOLYOAK—H.E. the Officer Administering the Government referred to a very large sum of money which had already been spent. Can you tell us what amount that was.

The CHAIRMAN—I think the shareholder spent $125,000 out of his own pocket.

Hon. Mr. HOLYOAK—Did you not think at that time that the matter might have been brought before the Council before embarking further?

The CHAIRMAN—As the Colonial Treasurer has pointed out it was a rather difficult matter to discuss in Council. It was a very urgent action still going on and, as H.E. the Officer Administering the Government explained, the Government did not come into this action except at the wish of the Court. They began by taking criminal proceedings. If the Government had known they were going to take up this case they very possibly would have put forward the question of money, but in instituting criminal proceedings the question did not arise.

Hon. Mr. HOLYOAK—What safeguard is there against any similar incident happening?

The CHAIRMAN—I think this is a peculiar case and it is not likely to happen again.

Hon. Mr. LANDALE—Could not a vote on account have been taken when it was seen that a large sum of money was involved?

The CHAIRMAN—Yes, that might have been possible.

Hon. Mr. LANDALE—I think that the question of the expenditure of so much public money should have come up.

The CHAIRMAN—The Government felt themselves driven to take proceedings on the evidence put before them, and the Government decided that the proper course was to take criminal proceedings. They had no option and they took those proceedings and asked the Court to stay the civil proceedings. The matter went before the Full Court who expressed a very strong opinion against the criminal proceedings and were not prepared to stay the civil proceedings. The Government felt they were bound to follow the wishes of the Court and so took what was apparently the only course.

Hon. Mr. LANDALE—I am not questioning the decision of the Government. What I object to is the expenditure of public funds without coming to the Legislative Council. The only way we can stop that is to vote against it.

The CHAIRMAN—You wish a vote to be taken.

Hon. Mr. LANDALE—Yes.

A vote was accordingly taken and the financial minute was passed by a majority of seven votes to four. The Hon. Mr. Landale, the Hon. Mr. Holyoak, the Hon. Mr. Shellim and the Hon. Mr. Bird voted against it. The two Chinese representatives voted with the official members.

CANTON NEWS.

[BY COURTESY OF THE "CHUNG NGOI SAN PO."]

October 3rd.

SEEKING JAPAN'S RECOGNITION.

The Military Government has ordered Tong Shiu-yee, who is in Japan, to request the new Premier of Japan to favour recognition to the Government in Canton.

ENTERTAINMENT BY JAPANESE.

The Tuchun entertained in his Yamen, yesterday, various leading Japanese and other gentlemen.

The Japanese have given a return dinner to the political and military leaders in one of the restaurants.

SWATOW REPORTS.

It is reported that the Headquarters and ammunition depot of the Canton expeditionary forces have been moved to Cheong-chow, Fukien.

Chan Kwing-ming recently formed a large body of guards, and appointed his brother as commander of them, upon learning that there are certain movements directed against him.

"OUR DAY" IN CANTON.

There will be a flower show on "Our Day" in Shameen, and all sorts of amusements will be provided.

LUNG'S TROOPS IN KINGCHOW.

It is reported that since the Canton forces commenced to attack King-chow most of the leaders of Lung's troops have fled. The people are greatly alarmed, as there are only a small number of soldiers to maintain order.

TYPHOON WARNING.

The following telegram has been received by the American Consulate-General, Hongkong, from the Manila Observatory:—

12.30, October 3rd.

Typhoon in about 120deg. Long. E., and 19deg. Lat. N., moving N.W.

CITY HALL WORK PARTY.

During the month of September the City Hall Work Party packed the following:—15 mosquito nets, 6 dressing gowns, 13 small pillows, 3 reversible bed-jackets, 5 pairs slippers, 3 milk covers, 13 belts, 1 pair operation stockings, 3 bed-jackets, 3½ dozen handkerchiefs, 9 scrubbers, 66 suits pyjamas, 80 shirts, 37 vests, and 9 comfort bags (which were kindly given by Mrs. Barnett).

The Mothers' Union Work Party contributed 14 vests, 7 shirts, 8 pyjamas, 4 swabs, 8 pairs knee-caps, 3 pairs socks, 3 helmets, 3 bed-jackets. Two cases were packed and sent to Vladivostock, and there are four further cases packed ready to be forwarded when required, also articles packed by the wool department.

Gifts of 25 boxes of bar soap from Messrs. W. G. Humphreys & Co., and two cases of toilet soap and samples from Messrs. Harry Wicking & Co. for the troops are acknowledged with many thanks.

HONGKONG'S FINANCIAL POSITION

The following statement of the Assets and Liabilities of the Colony on Dec. 31st, 1917, was laid on the table at the meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday:—

ASSETS.

Subsidiary Coins	$1,345,884.11
Advances	380,615.36
Imprest	480.55
House Service Account	1,961.94
Crown Agents' Deposit A/c.	983,239.44
Unallocated Stores (P.W.D.)	129,360.85
Unallocated Stores (Railway)	155,183.10
Coal Account	372,079.35
Investment Account	120,000.00
Suspense Account	217.83
Balance, Bank	493,446.17
Crown Agents' Current A/c	13,778.68
Total	$4,166,255.38

LIABILITIES.

Deposits not Available	$ 890,283.91
Postal Agencies	7,909.63
Total Liabilities	$ 898,193.56
Balance	3,268,061.82
Total	$4,166,255.38

A COMPARISON.

The assets and liabilities on December 31st, 1917, and those estimated for December 31st, 1918, were as follows:—

1917.

Revenue	$15,058,104.71
Expenditure	14,090,825.09
Surplus	$ 967,276.62
Balance of Assets (1916)	2,300,785.20
Balance of Assets (1917)	$ 3,268,061.82

1918.

Revenue	$17,079,640.00
Expenditure	15,752,480.00
Surplus	$ 1,327,150.00
Balance of Assets (1917)	3,268,062.00
Balance of Assets (1918)	$ 4,595,212.00

LOAN ACCOUNT.

Dr.

	1917.	1918.
War Loan Stock Issue of 1916 at 6 per cent interest, to be paid off on the 1st December, 1928	$3,000,000	$3,000,000
Inscribed Stock Issues of 1893 and 1906 at 3½ per cent interest, to be paid off on the 15th April, 1943	£1,486,732. 16. 5	£1,485,732. 16. 5

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	1917.	1918. (Estimated).
War Loan Stock Issue of 1916 at 6 per cent. Sinking Fund	$200,000	$412,000
Inscribed Stock Issues of 1893 and 1906 at 3½ per cent. Sinking Fund	£258,162. 3. 8	£283,378. 16. 10

T. M. THOMSON,
Treasurer.

Hongkong, 28th September, 1918.

ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE.

Total Estimate for 1918	$12,140,475
Total Estimate for 1919	14,677,896
Total Increase	$ 2,537,421

Decreases.

Personal Emoluments:—	
Higher Exchange	$ 80,542.00
Reduction on New Appointments	20,280.00
Abolition of Posts	43,696.00
Allowances	1,666.00
Other Charges	156,319.00
Special Expenditure	40,005.00
Miscellaneous Services	51,416.00
Charge on account of Public Debt	223,364.00
Pensions	101,323.56
Charitable Services	348.00
Total Decrease	$ 718,979.56

Increases.

Personal Emoluments:—	
Stipulated Increments	$ 20,286.00
Increase of Salaries	11,051.00
New Posts	71,015.00
Allowances	9,732.00
Other Charges	145,011.00
Special Expenditure	124,647.00
Miscellaneous Services	1,315,823.00
Military Contribution	524,370.00
Public Works, Recurrent	93,300.00
Public Works, Extraordinary	924,650.00
Pensions	15,683.56
Charitable Services	822.00
Total Increase	$3,256,400.56
Deduct Decrease	718,979.56
Net Increase	$2,537,421.00

INTERPORT LAWN BOWLS.

HONGKONG v. SHANGHAI JUNIOR GOLF CLUB.

At Hongkew Park, Shanghai, on September 27th, Hongkong defeated the Junior Golf Club by two points. The game was practically decided on the last end. The following were the teams:—

Hongkong.—W. Gerrard, (skip), W. Russell, C. Bond and D. Harvey, 21.

Junior Golf Club.—D. McAlister, G. B. Stormes, G. Marshgreen and W. R. Kinipple, 19.

SPORT.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

The report of the Committee for the year ending the 31st August, 1918, states:—

The Income and Expenditure account shows a surplus of $2,228.11, which is an increase from last season of $49.28.

The debenture interest, amounting to $319, has been paid, and five debentures were kindly presented to the Club by Mr. F. Maitland.

The amount received on account of entrance fees and subscriptions shows a decrease of $340, and the number of present playing and non-playing members is 127 and 127 respectively.

Naval officers up to the rank of Lieutenant, and military officers up to the rank of Captain, have during the season been permitted to join the Club as subscribers at the reduced fee of $1 per month, without entrance fee.

The ground generally is in excellent condition, and several renewals and repairs have been effected to the Club premises.

The Cricket season was a distinct success, and, although many playing members went home to fight, the Club was able to put in the field a good representative side and managed to win the League.

The most notable achievements were:—Mr. T. E. Pearce, 120 runs against C.R.C.; 116 against Civil Service; 93 against Craigengower; 90 against the University; and 82 (not out) against the United Services.

Mr. H. E. Muriel, 80 runs against Craigengower; 76 against 25th Battalion Middlesex; and 73 against Kowloon.

Captain Gray, 64 against 25 Battalion Middlesex.

Mr. K. Brayshay, 61 against the United Services.

The Club also achieved the distinction of winning the Tennis League, Division "A."

The ground has been open for tennis throughout the season. The Courts on the north side of the ground have been much improved, and three sets of new tennis screens have been supplied.

The entries in the Tennis Tournament held during April, May and June were larger than last season, and greater interest than ever was taken in the matches. The stand erected for spectators was largely patronised, which enabled the Committee to present the sum of $2,000 to War Charities.

The Singles Open Championship was for the first time not won by a member of the Club, Mr. Ng Sze Kwong, of the Chinese Recreation Club, defeating Mr. S. E. Green in the Challenge round and becoming the first holder of the new Chancellor cup kindly presented by Sir Paul Chater.

Mr. Ng Sze Kwong with Mr. Wong Po Keung, also won the Double Open Championship for the second year in succession, thereby again becoming the holders of the two Challenge cups kindly presented by the Hon. Mr. Ho Fook.

Mr. N. E. Kent and Mr. P. H. Cobb were the winners of the "A" class and "B" class singles respectively, and Messrs. C. Thorne and J. R. Wood won the Handicap doubles event.

In the Professional Pairs Messrs. R. and H. Hancock defeated Messrs. N. E. Kent and J. S. Jennings in the final, whilst Capt. H. E. Murray and Mrs. Hammond won the Mixed Handicap doubles.

HONGKONG CRICKET LEAGUE.

A meeting of the Hongkong Cricket League was held in the Hongkong C.C. pavilion on Wednesday evening to discuss the question whether, in view of the many departures from the Colony, there should be a Cricket League or not this year.

On a vote being taken it was found that six Clubs were in favour of a League and two against it. A meeting to confirm this decision will be held on Monday next, when the question of members of one Club playing for another during the season will also be raised.

The Hongkong C.C. has decided not to join a League this year. The representatives of the Kowloon C.C. and the R.E. voted against the motion on Wednesday evening.

Among the Clubs willing to join a League are the Craigengower C.C., the Chinese R.C., the Navy, and the R.G.A. The attitude of the Civil Service Club and the University will probably help to settle the question on Monday.

CRICKET.

C.R.C. v. THE NAVY.

This match will be played at the C.R.C. ground on Saturday. The following will represent the C.R.C.:—Ng Sze Kwong, Yew Man Tsun, Cheng Chi, Geo. Lee, Harry Ching, Choa Man Ping, James Wong, K. K. Wong, Yung Hin Lun, Wei Lee San and Un Hew Fan.

V.R.C. AQUATIC SPORTS.

RESULTS OF HEATS.

The annual aquatic sports meeting of the V.R.C. was commenced yesterday evening and will be continued this evening and to-morrow afternoon. There was a large gathering of spectators. Seven events were worked off, most of them being heats. The finals will be competed for on Saturday. The following were yesterday's results:—

Two Lengths Handicap (Hurdles).—First heat: 1, A. J. V. Ribeiro; 2, J. Stewart. Second heat: 1, A. Logan; 2, J. B. Soares.

Two Lengths Handicap (Novices).—1, C. M. S. Soares; 2, A. C. Rozario.

440 Yards Club Championship.—1, A. Logan; 2, A. V. Barros. Time: 6min., 25secs.

Running Header from Springboard.—1, A. Logan; 2, J. Stewart.

Four Lengths Handicap (Army and Navy).—1, Br. Moody, R.G.A.; 2, Sgt. White, R.E.; 3, Sgt. Strange, R.A.M.C.

Two Lengths Handicap (Girls).—1, Rosebud Young; 2, Ruby Young.

Two Lengths Handicap.—First heat: A. J. V. Ribeiro; second heat: H. L. Silva; third heat: T. L. Silva; fourth heat: E. Mediva.

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HONGKONG MAGISTRACY.

ALLEGED KIDNAPPING.

An old Chinese woman and a young boy were charged, on remand, with kidnapping a little boy from the custody of his parents, who live in the Kongsi district.

Inspector Kent asked for a week's formal remand as the parents of the child had not arrived from Kongsi. They were expected in a day or two.

Mr. Wolfe accordingly remanded the case till next Thursday.

A BAD MEMORY.

A Chinese who was charged with returning from banishment pleaded a bad memory.

The defendant was banished in 1913 for ten years and returned when only half the time had expired. He informed the Magistrate that he was only passing through Hongkong on his way to the country to visit his mother. He was of a forgetful nature.

Mr. Wolfe sentenced defendant to a year's hard labour and four hours' stocks.

A PERSISTENT FISH-MONGER.

A Chinese was charged with selling fresh fish outside the Central market.

Defendant denied the charge, stating that he had been given some fish by his master for his own consumption. He was an odd-job coolie.

Inspect Kent stated that defendant was carrying more fish than he or his family could consume. There were two previous convictions against him for similar offences. The last time he appeared he was imprisoned for two months.

Mr. Wolfe fined defendant $100, with the alternative of four months' hard labour.

ALLEGED THEFT FROM TAIKOO DOCKYARD.

A Chinese was charged with stealing 12 Whitworth taps from the Taikoo Dockyard.

Mr. Hall, of Messrs. Lo & Lo, appeared for the defence and applied for a remand. The only offence his client had committed, he said, was that of taking the taps out of the dock premises. The procedure adopted at the Dockyard was for an *employé* to deposit a ticket with the storekeeper stating what tools had been issued to him, and the *employé* was then responsible for any loss of or damage to the tools.

Mr. Wolfe remanded the case fixing bail at $100.

THEFT OF SCRAP-IRON.

A Chinese was charged with stealing a quantity of scrap-iron.

Inspector Sim stated that defendant picked up the iron from a yard in Kennedy Street, and, when noticed by the foreman, attempted to run away. He was arrested by a Chinese constable in Ko Sing Street.

Defendant said he picked up the iron from the ground outside the yard. The *fokis* put the large pieces of scrap-iron into his basket to enable them to frame a false charge against him.

Mr. Wolfe sentenced defendant to three weeks' hard labour.

"ONE OF A BAND OF RUFFIANS."

Defendant is one of a band of ruffians who infest the Tai Wong Theatre while a performance is on, attempting to get in free. "They are a nuisance to the neighbourhood." This was the statement made by Sergeant Murphy when charging a little boy with assaulting the ticket-collector at the Theatre.

Complainant stated that defendant attempted to gain admittance free of charge, and, when witness stopped him, he picked up a stone and aimed it at witness, who received an injury to his forehead. A little boy was also injured by a stone striking him.

Defendant said he was playing with some companions in the vicinity of the theatre and in no way interfered with complainant in the discharge of his duty. He admitted throwing stones about the place.

Mr. Wolfe said that throwing stones was a dangerous pastime, and ordered the lad to receive ten strokes with the birch.

SNATCHING CASES.

A Chinese youth was charged with snatching a purse containing $4.50, a blank cheque, and other papers belonging to another Chinese youth.

Defendant stated that the purse was placed upon him by complainant while he was walking along the street.

Inspector Kent said that defendant had admitted the snatching at the Police Station, saying that he was out of employment and had no fixed abode.

Mr. Wolfe, in sentencing defendant to undergo five months' hard labour and to receive twelve strokes with the birch, remarked that snatching was getting very common in the Colony and it was obvious that defendant was working in conjunction with an older man.

Another Chinese boy was charged with snatching a gold-mounted rattan bangle and a jade bangle from a little child.

Defendant stated that another boy snatched the bangles and gave them to him.

Inspector Kent said that complainant, who was buying fish in the Central market, was carrying her little child on her back. Defendant snatched the bangles and attempted to escape, but was arrested in Wing Lok Stret by Mr. Johnson, Overseer of the Central Market. At the Police Station defendant admitted the offence.

Mr. Wolfe complimented Mr. Johnson on having apprehended the snatcher. Inspector Kent observed that that was not the first time that Mr. Johnson had rendered valuable services to the Police.

Mr. Wolfe sentenced defendant to five months' hard labour and twelve strokes with the birch.

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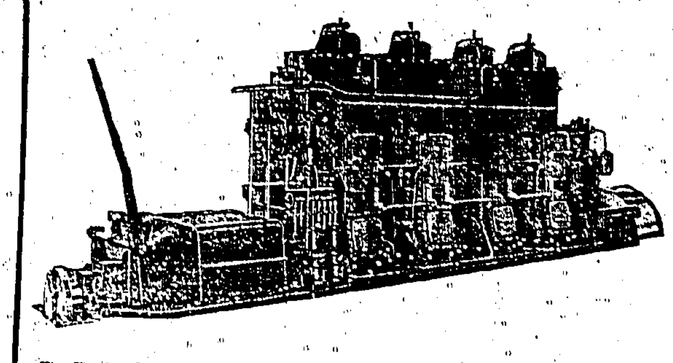

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All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 9th October, at 10 A.M. by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

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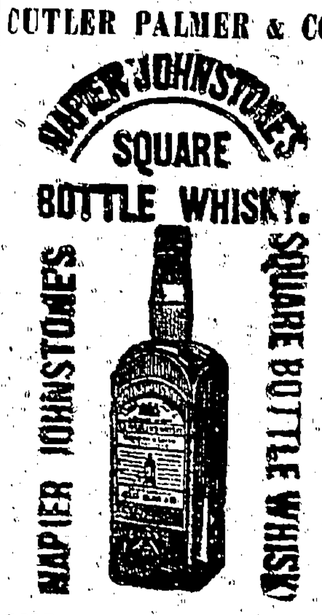

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October 3rd, 12.10.—Warning to Hongkong. Coast Ports, &c.—Typhoon in Lat 19 deg. N. Long. 126 deg. E. moving N.W. at 4 to 8 miles per hour.

October 3rd, at 12.15.—No returns from Japan and Vladivostock. Pressure has decreased slightly at all reporting stations; it remains highest over N. China. The typhoon is situated to the east of the Eslingtang Channel, moving slowly N.W.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 86.34 inches, against an average of 76.46 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

DISTRICT	FORECAST.
Hongkong to Gap Rock ...	N. winds, moderate to fresh fine.
Formosa Channel ...	North winds, strong.
South Coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks	The same as No. 1.
South Coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan...	The same as No. 1.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

3RD OCTOBER, A.M.

Station.	Hour	Barometer at Sea Level.	Temperature	Humidity	Wind Direction.	Wind Force.	Weather.
Vladivostock	6 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nemuro ...	6 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hadodate ...	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tokio	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kochi	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nagasaki	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kagoshima	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Oshima	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Naha	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ishigakijima	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bonin Island	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Weihaiwei	6 a.	30.06	60	94	—	0	b
Hankow ...	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ichang	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kiukiang ...	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Changsha ...	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shanghai ...	"	30.04	67	93	N	1	o
Gutzlaff ...	"	29.98	65	63	NE	4	b
Sharp Peak ...	"	29.78	73	83	N	4	o
Amoy ...	"	29.80	76	80	NE	4	o
Swatow ...	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Taihoku ...	5 a.	29.75	73	96	E	4	r
Taichu ...	"	29.71	68	—	N	0	b
Tainan ...	"	29.69	70	—	N	2	b
Koshun ...	"	29.66	75	—	N	2	r
Pescadores ...	"	29.72	73	—	N	7	b
Canton ...	8 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hongkong ...	"	29.81	72	61	NE	1	b
Gap Rock ...	"	29.79	—	—	N	3	b
Macao	"	29.80	70	74	NNE	1	b
Wuchow ...	9 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hothow ...	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pakhoi ...	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Phulien ...	7 a.	29.87	73	91	N	1	b
Tourane ...	"	29.81	75	—	NW	4	b
Cape St. James	"	29.78	75	—	SW	4	o
Aparri ...	6 a.	29.53	81	87	WNW	4	o
Dagupan ...	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila ...	"	29.62	82	74	WNW	1	o
Legaspi ...	"	29.6	79	89	SW	4	o
Tacloban ...	"	29.67	77	84	S	4	o
Iloilo ...	"	29.69	75	88	SW	4	o
Surigao ...	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Guam ...	4.20	29.74	—	—	NE	2	o
Lanuan ...	6 a.	29.76	80	91	SW	2	b

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1. BAROMETER, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit, on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

2. TEMPERATURE, in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.

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5. FORCE OF WIND, according to Beaufort Scale.

6. STATE OF WEATHER, b blue sky, c detached cloud, d drizzling rain, fog, g gloomy, h hail, l lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q squal, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility, w dew wet.

7. RAIN, in inches, t tenths and hundredths.

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE

From 4th to 10th October, 1918

Days of Week.	Days of Month.	High Water. H'kong Mean Time.	High Water. Height.	Low Water. H'kong Mean Time.	Low Water. Height.
		h m.	ft. in.	h m.	ft. in.
Fri.	4	m 9 1	6 5	m 2 30	2 9
		8 59 a	6 4	2 51 a	2 8
Satur.	5	m 9 40	6 4	m 3 10	2 6
		9 18 a	6 7	3 19 a	2 8
Sun.	6	m 10 14	6 1	m 3 49	2 3
		9 37 a	6 9	3 45 a	3 0
Mon.	7	m 10 47	5 8	m 4 37	2 2
		9 57 a	7 1	4 7 a	3 3
Tues.	8	m 11 21	5 4	m 5 6	2 2
		10 19 a	7 2	4 25 a	3 6
Wed.	9	m 11 58	5 0	m 5 46	2 2
		10 45 a	7 3	4 40 a	3 9
Thurs.	10	0 46 a	4 6	m 6 20	2 3
		18 a	7 3	4 51 a	4 2

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	NIKKO MARU	... 9,600...	SAT. 14th Dec.	11 A.M.
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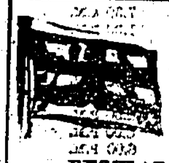

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Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		Tuesday, 8th, 2.0 P.M.
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Hongkong Observatory, October 3rd

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.
Barometer	29.81	29.81	29.76
Temperture	81	72	82
Humidity	53	61	41
Wind Direction	West	NE	ENE
" Force	1	1	2
Weather	b	b	b
Rain	—		—

Highest open-air Temperature on 2nd 81
Lwest open-air Temperature on 3rd..72

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TO-DAY.

4.30 p.m.—V.R.C. Sports.

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3.30 p.m.—V.R.C. Sports.

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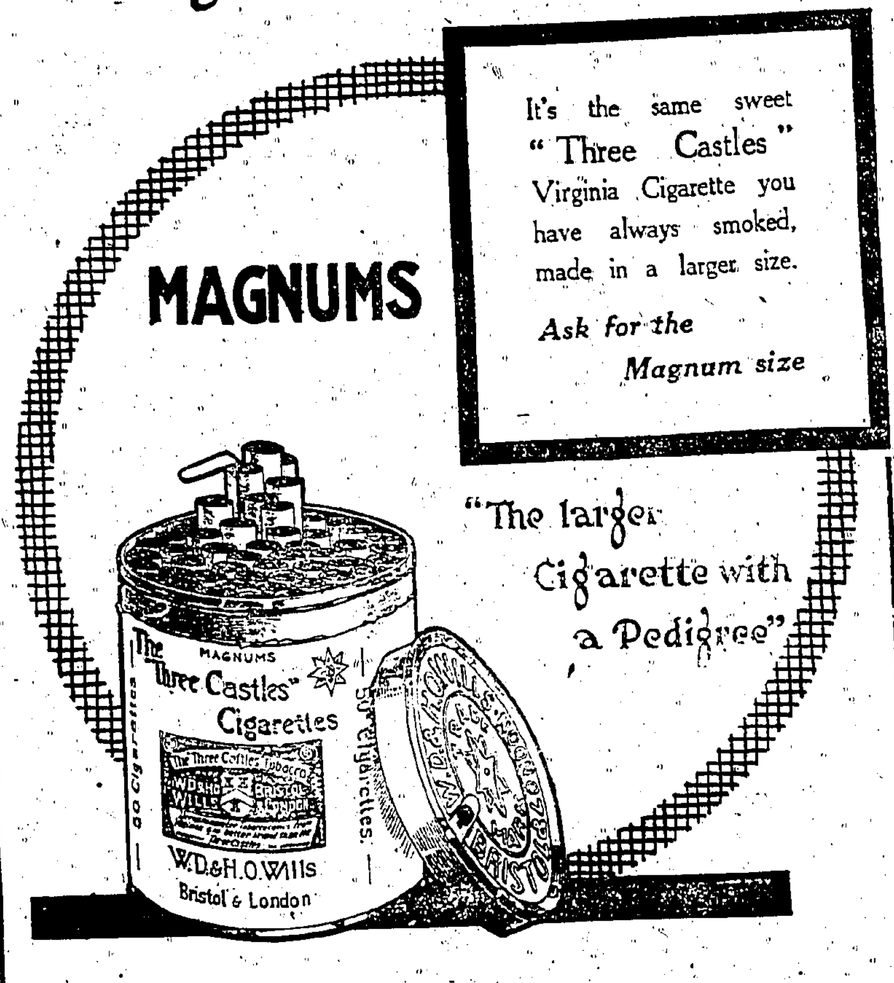

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